



# IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION

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## AGENDA

for  
January 23-25, 2007  
Quarterly Board Meeting

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**Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation**  
The Grove Hotel  
Boise, Idaho

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**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**“To improve the quality of life in Idaho through outdoor recreation and resource stewardship.”**

**Board Meeting  
January 23-25<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
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Boise, Idaho**

\*Consent Agenda CA

\*Information Only IO

\*Action Item AI

**Tuesday January 23, 2007**

**AGENDA.....1**

**1:00 p.m. Board Vision Discussion**

A facilitated discussion addressing the Board members’ vision for the agency

**3:00 p.m.. Break**

**3:15 p.m. Discussion cont.**

**4:30 p.m. Recess**

*Dinner on own*

**Wednesday January 24<sup>th</sup> 2007**

**AGENDA**

**8:00 a.m. Discussion cont.**

**10:00 a.m. Break**

**11:00 a.m. Call to order**

**11:05 a.m. Executive Session** Under authority of Idaho Code 67-2345(c) an executive session may be held to discuss personnel, acquisition of private lands, and/or litigation

**Noon Working Lunch**

**1:00 p.m.**

- Welcome guests
- Additions or deletions to the printed agenda
- Approval of the August and October 2006 Board meeting minutes
- Introduction of new employees

**1:30 p.m. General Public Forum**

**2:00 p.m. Lake Cascade/Poison Creek Marina RFP Approval \*AI.....2**

- Staff Presentation
- Public Comment
- Executive Session

**3:30 p.m. Break**

**3:45 p.m. Eagle Island State Park Group Use Permit Application.....3**

**4:00 p.m. Development Update \*IO.....4**

Experience Idaho Update

**5:00 p.m. Recess**

*Dinner at PF Chang’s BoDo*

**Thursday January 25<sup>th</sup> 2007**

**8:00 a.m. Executive Session**

**9:30 a.m. 2007 2nd Quarter Financial Statement \*AI.....5**

**10:15 a.m. Break**

**10:30 a.m. Legislative Update \*IO.....6**

**11:00 a.m. Reports \*IO.....7**

- Regional and Program
- Board Members’ Report
- Director’s Report
- Attorney General’s Report

**12:30 p.m. Adjourn**  
**12:30 p.m. *Lunch Served***

**FUTURE BOARD MEETING:**

<b>May</b>	<b>22– 24<sup>th</sup> 2007</b>	<b>Montpelier</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>7 - 9<sup>th</sup> 2007</b>	<b>Sandpoint</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>7 - 9<sup>th</sup> 2007</b>	<b>Boise</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>22-24<sup>th</sup> 2008</b>	<b>Boise</b>

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## Agenda

Lake Cascade/Poison Creek Marina  
RFP Approval

Eagle Island State Park Group Permit  
Applications

Development & Experience Idaho Update

2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Statement

Legislative Update

Reports

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**AGENDA ITEM:** **Poison Creek Marina/Store Complex RFP**

**ACTION REQUIRED:** **Board Action Required**

**PRESENTERS:** **Dave Ricks**

**DIVISION ADMINISTRATORS:** **Dave Ricks**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Poison Creek Campground is a narrow unit of Lake Cascade State Park consisting of approximately 22 acres located along the northwest shore of Lake Cascade, directly across West Mountain Road from the main entrance of the new Tamarack Resort. The camping experience in Poison Creek is negatively affected by increased traffic noise on the road from vehicles going to and from the resort. Additional impacts to this area are projected to occur as resort guests attempt to recreate along the lakeshore in and around Poison Creek Campground, likely placing day-users and campers in the same limited space. A proposed new campground is being developed to mitigate these issues and the Poison Creek Campground will be redeveloped into a day-use area only. The campground conversion will occur when the mitigation process is completed. At present, the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) is pursuing a review of the Replacement Camp option through the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process.

A commercial facility developed as part of the Poison Creek day-use area will provide much-needed amenities. It will provide a positive economic enhancement to the local community, be environmentally compatible, will be a welcomed area to day-users. Revenue generation will be enhanced by the new services, while the recreating public will have access to the expanded range of recreational opportunities on Lake Cascade.

Redevelopment of the Poison Creek Campground into a day-use area will require the removal of the existing campground road and spurs, re-contouring and reseeded the area, realignment of the entrance road, construction of a hiking/biking/interpretive trail, and expanded parking facilities for cars as well as boat trailers.

The plan also calls for concession development and operation of a marina with moorage for up to 75 boats, a convenience store/retail center, boat fueling station, and a facility for renting recreation equipment. A casual dining facility may also be included. The concession is intended to be year-round; therefore, proposed developments need to accommodate winter as well as summer uses and revenue-generating facilities. It is anticipated that the

concessionaire will obtain a long-term lease to operate the marina and its associated amenities, including the potential restaurant, while IDPR will manage the remainder of the day-use area, including the group shelter(s), restrooms, swim beach, trail and boat ramp.

On November 6, 2006, IDPR initiated a Request for Proposal (RFP) process to select the most qualified concessionaire to design, build, operate and maintain a marina /store complex at Poison Creek. The significant points in the RFP include the following:

- Concessionaire owner is required to design, build, operate and maintain the facilities.
- Term of the lease is anticipated to be 20 years.
- A capital maintenance fund will be established by the concessionaire for the major upkeep of the facilities.
- Alcohol may be offered for sale in the proposal, either packaged for off-site consumption through the store or by service within the confines of a restaurant with bona fide meals served.
- Legal counsel has reviewed the User Management Agreement (UMA) on the concession for language protecting the Department's interests.

The RFP was advertised in the two local (Cascade, McCall) newspapers, as well as in seven major newspapers in Idaho. Advertisements were also placed in newspapers in Oregon, Washington, Utah, Nevada, and California. Notice of the RFP was mailed to all marinas and marine businesses in Idaho and was sent to Aramark, the primary National Park Service concessionaire. The RFP was also advertised in the November newsletter of the national Association of Marine Industries, based in Washington, DC.

Seven (7) potential proposers requested copies of the RFP. A pre-proposal meeting for questions and answers on the RFP was held in Boise on November 20. Nine (9) individuals representing three (3) potential proposers were in attendance at the meeting. The deadline for questions on the proposal was December 15. All questions and answers regarding the proposal were captured in writing and sent to all RFP holders.

Proposals were due at IDPR headquarters on January 4, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. The proposal evaluation team met on January 5 to receive copies of the proposals and instructions on the evaluation process. The evaluation team met again on January 9 to evaluate the proposals and determine the preferred proposer. The names of organizations submitting proposals and the proposal from the preferred proposer will be presented to the Board at its January meeting.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:** Staff recommends the Board approve the proposal evaluation team's selection of a preferred proposer and direct staff to proceed with negotiation of a contract.

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**AGENDA ITEM:** Eagle Island State Park Group Use Permit Application

**ACTION REQUIRED:** Board Approval

**PRESENTER:** Rick Brown

**DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR:** Dean Sangrey

**PRESENTATION:** Completed Group Use Application

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Bravo Entertainment has requested a special use permit for Ticketed Musical Concerts to be held at Eagle Island State Park in 2007. At this time, there are two concerts secured and the possibility of one additional concert being discussed. Attendance will be limited to 2,500 to 3,000 people. Security staff will be on site at the ratio of one staff to one hundred concert attendees and the Ada County Sheriff will be contracted for traffic control. The area requested for the concert is East Picnic area, near the waterslide. Vendors located on site will sell pizza, beer, and wine.

**ACTION ITEM**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:** Staff recommends that the Board approve the group use permit application for Bravo Entertainment.

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<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	<b>Development Project Status</b>
<b>ACTION REQUIRED:</b>	<b>NO BOARD ACTION REQUIRED</b>
<b>PRESENTER:</b>	<b>Dave Ricks</b>
<b>DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR:</b>	<b>Dave Ricks</b>

**PRESENTATION**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The following narrative and the accompanying chart illustrating current projects, their status and progress comments are for Board information.

**South Region Projects**

- Ponderosa Group Campground – Complete
- Ponderosa Lakeview Village Demolition – Demolition Underway
- Lake Cascade Volunteer sites electrical upgrade – Complete
- Eagle Island State Street Residence Septic System – Design Phase
- HQ Building Security Upgrades – Awaiting PBFC Funding
- Lucky Peak Sandy Point Water to the Shop & Spring Shores entry work – Under Construction
- Bruneau Dunes Science Center Steele Reese Addition – Under Construction

**East Region Projects**

- Bear Lake Replace Culinary Tank – Design Phase; Summer 07 Construction
- Henrys Lake RV Campground Electrical Upgrade – Under Construction
- Ashton-Tetonia Trail Construction – Construction Documents Phase; Summer 07 Construction
- Yankee Fork Visitor's Center – Phase 2 – Design Phase; Summer 07 Construction
- Bayhorse – Brownfield Grant Phase, Site Clean up in Summer 07



### **North Region Projects**

- Winchester Admin/Visitor Center and restrooms ADA – Construction contract in progress, Spring 07 Construction
- Round Lake State Park Drain Field Improvements – Design/Approvals Phase
- Round Lake Potable Water Upgrade – Design Phase
- Farragut Gilmore Campground – **Grand Opening May 12, 2007**
- Farragut Central Sewer system Master Plan – Draft Plan Review complete
- Farragut Water System – System review underway
- Heyburn State Park Volunteer sites – Under Construction
- Heyburn State Park Chatcolet Drain Field Improvements – Design/Approvals Phase
- Dworshak Electrical Upgrade – Design Complete; Spring 07 Construction
- Old Mission Visitor Center – Final Approval Stage, Spring 07 Construction

### **Experience Idaho Projects**

- Heyburn Visitor/Welcome Center – Design phase; Summer 07 Construction
- Castle Rocks Smoky Mountain Campground – **Grand Opening May 19, 2007**
- Castle Rocks Bunk House – Design Phase; Summer 07 Construction
- Eastern Idaho Task force – An engineering review study and appraisal of the Rising River property will be completed 12/29/06.
- Harriman State Park – Design Phase; Summer 07 Construction
- Eagle Island Task Force – IDPR received Land Board approval for RFP process. Design team working towards design/approvals leading up to RFP for gravel extraction/excavation/bridge.

### **ACTION ITEM**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:** Information only.

Idaho Dept. of Parks and Recreation  
**CURRENT ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Project No.	Project	Milestones	Budget
<b>DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS BY REGION</b>			
<b>STATEWIDE</b>			
300052	Statewide Restroom Replacements		<b>340,000</b>
"	Priest Lake - Campground (\$120,000)	Statewide contract with CXT. Funding encumbered, purchase order submitted, awaiting delivery.	120,000
"	Priest Lake - Day Use (\$35,000)	Statewide contract with CXT. Funding encumbered, purchase order submitted, awaiting delivery.	35,000
"	Round Lake (\$35,000)	Statewide contract with CXT. Funding encumbered, CXT in place.	35,000
"	Farragut - Buttonhook Bay (\$30,000)	Statewide contract with CXT. Funding encumbered, purchase order submitted, awaiting delivery.	30,000
"	Massacre Rocks - Lower Campground (\$120,000)	Statewide contract with CXT. Purchase order submitted, awaiting delivery.	120,000
300062	Statewide Restroom Replacements:		<b>300,000</b>
"	Round Lake - Day Use (\$15,000)	Contract has been completed	15,000
"	Round Lake - Campground (\$30,000)	Three CXT restrooms ordered and installed.	30,000
"	Winchester - Campgrounds (\$90,000)	Restroom replacement has been delegated to DPW for completion with other park projects.	90,000
"	Bruneau Dunes - Broken Wheel (\$100,000)	ZGA under contract for design.	100,000
"	Three Island - Wagon Wheel (\$20,000)	ZGA under contract for design.	20,000
"	Massacre Rocks - Lower Vault (\$45,000)	Project completed.	45,000
300068	Volunteer Sites Statewide	Sites identified and work ongoing.	10,000
300069	Cabins/Yurts Statewide (2006)	Sites identified with Fall 2007 completion.	200,000
300071	Statewide Picnic Tables & Fire Rings	Sites identified. Funds encumbered for Smoky Mountain CG	50,000
300075	Statewide Employee Park Housing Renovation	Sites identified. Allocation of money to each region for housing renovations.	540,000
300077	Statewide New Park Housing	Sites involve Ponderosa, Lake Cascade, Priest Lake & Castle Rocks. Working on PO for spring/summer 2007 deliveries.	1,050,000
<b>NORTH REGION</b>			
310161	Priest Lake - Indian Creek - Boat Docks	Notice of Intent to Award has been issued. Funds encumbered.	90,000
310172	Priest Lake Boat Ramp Siltation	Engineering analysis needed on boat ramp siltation. Scope being determined.	20,000
310361	Round Lake Potable Water Upgrade	Sites being identified for water/electric service installation.	50,000
310362	Round Lake Drainfield Improvements	In final design stage.	58,500
310371	Round Lake Day Use ADA Restroom Upgrade	Replacement of 1955 restroom/shower building. CXT replacement per contract. Projected completion summer of 2007.	150,000
310372	Round Lake Day Use Electrical Upgrade	Reviewing project scope to replace underground power lines. May combine with water project.	20,000
310551	Farragut Campground & Dump Station	Project scheduled for May 12, 2007 Grant Opening.	1,706,725

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310561	Farragut Sewage Master Plan	Engineering draft report received from Welch-Comer for IDPR review & approval.	30,000
310571	Farragut Sunrise Playground ADA Upgrade	Scope to bring playground up to ADA and safety standards	20,000
310572	Farragut Main Waterline Upgrade	Repair main water distribution lines. Engineering evaluation of park water system.	100,000
310573	Farragut Eagle Boat Docks	Replace 2 docks. WIF grant being pursued to combine with breakwater.	100,000
310574	Farragut Water Tank Design	Engineer evaluation will determine scope. May indicate renovation or replacement.	100,000
310575	Farragut Central Sewage System	Scope and phasing of work to be determined when Master Plan is completed.	1,400,000
310621	Old Mission Visitor Center Construction	ITD reviewing construction documents. Bid winter 2007.	2,184,000

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310671	Old Mission Fire Suppression	Sprinkler system for church. Scope of work/products being reviewed.	100,000
310672	Old Mission Roof Replacement	Replace roof. Specifications being reviewed.	100,000
310771	Mowry Residence Upgrade	Scope of work being reviewed based on budget.	26,200
310863	Heyburn State Park Chatcolet C.G. & Day Use Drainfield	Final design criteria completed. Construction scheduled for late Summer 2007.	12,600
310864	Heyburn New Administrative Site	Site selection made. Funds transferred to DPW.	2,000,000
310871	Heyburn Benewah Electrical Upgrade	Current 15 hook up sites need to be rewired with 50 amp service. Engineering reviewing.	35,000
310872	Heyburn Rocky Point Re-Roof	Re-roof Rangers House. Engineering reviewing specifications.	30,000
310873	Heyburn Rocky Point Playground Upgrade	Purchase order completed on equipment. Funds encumbered.	25,000
310878	Heyburn Sewer System Implementation	This project to be included with project 310863.	370,000
310971	Coeur d'Alene Parkway Dock Replacement	Replace docks at boat ramp and moorage docks at Higgins Pt.	113,026
310972	Coeur d'Alene Parkway Shoreline Rehab	Rehabilitate shoreline erosion.	120,000
320161	McCroskey Iron Mountain	Replacing pit toilet with double CXT, extending & regravelling some existing spurs. Tables & grills.	135,000
320171	McCroskey Skyline Drive Repairs	Repair dirt road. Rock, grade and compact road.	60,000
320261	Dworshak Electrical Upgrades - Three Meadows/Freeman Ck	Design drawings & specs completed. Ready for bid midJanuary 2007	255,000
320271	Dworshak Rest Room/Shelter Re-Roofs	Re-roof 6 restrooms and shelter at Freeman Creek Campground - Spring of 2007	100,000
320272	Dworshak Playground Improvements	Purchase order completed on equipment. Funds encumbered.	30,000
320371	Hells Gate Rest Room Re-Roofs	Re-roof 5 restrooms at campground, day use area and marina.	60,000
320372	Hells Gate Rest Room "C" Shower Upgrade	Campground restroom "C" re-roof and refurbish shower stalls.	30,000
320551	Winchester New Admin Office	DPW project. Notice of Intent to Award issued. Funds transferred to DPW.	120,000
320571	Winchester Fishing Platform Replacement	Scope of work on Fishing platforms being determined.	25,000
320572	Winchester Boat Ramp Repacement	Scope of work to pull slabs and replace, and work on dock.	35,000
320573	Winchester Shop Drainfield Replacement	Replacement of failing drainfield at park office/shop. Engineering reviewing.	40,000
<b>SOUTH REGION</b>			
330123	Ponderosa Lakeview Village Demolition	Contract awarded to Magnum Contractors. Funds encumbered with balance moved into 330151.	160,043
330131	Ponderosa Welcome Center, Roadwork Design	Contract with LCA/HatchMueller amended to include Day Use. Working towards a Summer 2007 construction start.	1,333,812
330151	Ponderosa New Group Campground Development	Substantial Completion. Park is open to public. Working on minor punchlist then project can close out.	2,325,475
330161	Ponderosa-Kokanee Cove Boat Ramp/Parking	Construction documents being finalized. Work to start spring of 2007.	275,100
330162	Ponderosa Welcome Center & Day Use	Project to be combined with #330131	1,500,000

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330171	Ponderosa Peninsula Road Improvements	Approximately 3 miles of road improvements from day use area to point. Replace failed culvert and widen road.	230,000
330261	Eagle Island State Street Residence Septic System	Field surveying completed. Approval on application for annex to Eagle Sewer Dist. Reviewing budget/costs.	27,938
330262	Eagle Island Task Force	Design drawings complete. Project has been presented to Board & Governor, with approval.	1,000,000
330271	Eagle Island Foot Bridge Repair	Replace decking on East and West foot bridges.	15,000
330403	Lucky Peak Waterline to Maintenance Shop	Construction Winter/Spring 2007.	12,467
330411	Lucky Peak Spring Shores Site Work	Project complete. Awaiting final billings	315,900
330471	Lucky Peak Water to Maintenance Shop	Construction Winter/Spring 2007.	84,065
330472	Lucky Peak Spring Shores Dock Winching System	Design and install a dock winching system.	40,000

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330511	Bruneau Dunes Science Center-Steele Reese Bldg. Addition	Under construction. Spring 2007 completion.	330,446
330531	Bruneau Dunes Sprinkler System Replacement	Project complete. Awaiting final billings	528,475
330541	Bruneau Dunes Observatory Plaza	Project complete. Awaiting final billings	117,500
330571	Bruneau Dunes Main Road Seal Coat	Seal coat main road into the park.	40,000
330572	Bruneau Dunes HQ Sprinkler System	Replace automatic sprinkler system at Admin site.	15,000
330573	Bruneau Dunes Maintenance Shop Drench Shower	Install emergency drench shower.	5,000
330661	Three Island Transformer Upgrade	Project complete. Awaiting final billings	15,968
330671	Three Island Day Use Irrigation Pump Repair	Repair 40 hp irrigation pump.	6,000
330751	Lake Cascade Marina Design	Scope of work need being defined. Work on parking lot to begin late April or early May '07.	350,000
330761	Lake Cascade Replacement Camp & RCNF Poison Creek	Design on hold as Environmental Assessment takes place. Draft expected March 2007.	2,054,400
330762	Lake Cascade - Cabarton (ADA restroom replacement)	DPW Project. CCMG awarded construction contract. Work commenced July 5th. Completion Winter of 2007.	50,000
"	Lake Cascade - Butter Cup (ADA restroom replacement)	"	"
"	Lake Cascade - Huckleberry (ADA restroom replacement)	"	"
"	Lake Cascade - Sugarloaf (ADA hard surface improvement)	"	"
"	Lake Cascade - Huckleberry (ADA hard surface improvement)	"	"
330765	Lake Cascade Electrical Upgrade	Project complete. Final bills in process.	140,000
330771	Lake Cascade System Wide Irrigation Improvements	Irrigation system for watering grass, trees & shrubs over 27+ acres. Scope of work being developed.	300,000
330772	Lake Cascade Big Sage Concept Design	Design in process.	30,000
330773	Lake Cascade Boat Ramp Improvements	Repair ramp and dock anchor at Van Wyck boat launch.	125,000
330774	Lake Cascade Van Wyck Campground Design	Design in process. Construction dependent on funding request.	200,000
330775	Lake Cascade ADA Shoreline Transition	ADA paths from parking area to the shoreline.	10,000
330776	Lake Cascade Blue Heron Vault Improvements	Improve drainage and reseal vault toilet.	25,000
330777	Poison Creek RFP	RFP due Jan 4, preferred proposer identified Jan 9, 2007.	5,000
330851	HQ Bldg Security Upgrades & Storage Bldg Remodel	Design drawings for HQ Security completed and awaiting 2008 Budget request funding.	7,500
340351	Thou Spr - Billingsley Water Treatment	Scope of work being reviewed based on budget.	70,000
340352	Thou Spr Master Plan	Project ready for close-out.	88,000
340371	Thousand Springs Fisher Pond Dike Repair	Repair failing dike for Fisher Lake. Possible coordination with ARS hatchery project.	200,000
<b>EAST REGION</b>			
340431	Smoky Mountain Campground Phase 2	Kloepfer , Inc. began work began July 3rd with completion winter 2007. Grand Opening May 19, 2007.	3,065,142
340452	Castle Rocks - Site Planning	Final bills being processed.	150,000
340465	Castle Rocks Bunk House	Trout Architects will have design complete Spring of 2007 with construction and completion date Fall of 2007.	1,150,000
340471	Castle Rocks Admin Site Improvements	Shop restrooms and paving are completed. Project complete.	33,555

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<b>Project No.</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Milestones</b>	<b>Budget</b>
340473	Castle Rocks Drainage Structure	Under design; Spring 2007 completion.	15,000
340651	Lake Walcott Irrigation System	Installation & testing new main line is completed. Second phase included in the pathway ADA project.	60,000
340672	Lake Walcott Admin Office and ADA Path	ADA work on pathways and restroom. Design complete winter of 2006 with construction in the spring of 2007.	320,000
340673	Lake Walcott Day Use Playground Upgrade	Working with BOR to get approval of the playground equipment.	35,000
350061	Eastern Idaho Task Force	The Task Force has chosen the Rising River location in Firth. Engineering study and appraisal in process.	1,000,000
350171	Massacre Rocks Docks	Docks have been purchased & installed. Final bills being processed.	21,000
350331	Bear Lake Campground Renovation	Campground work completed with final CXT having been installed. Close out in process.	717,321

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350351	Bear Lake - Replace Culinary Tank	Eng contract awarded to RMES. Construction will be in the spring of 2007.	60,000
350371	Bear Lake North Beach Road Re-Surface	Project for next spring 2007	100,000
350372	Bear Lake East Beach Road Re-Surface	Project for next spring 2007	20,000
350373	St. Charles Acquisition	Final acquisition documents signed. Closing in process.	30,000
360121	Harriman Welcome Center Design	Project will be combined with Experience Idaho work at Harriman.	772,137
360151	Harriman Bridge Abutment Repair	Design and funding under review.	140,566
360161	Harriman Welcome Center	Trout Architects will have design complete Spring of 2007 with construction and completion date Fall of 2007.	2,040,000
360171	Harriman Cookhouse Re-Wire	Project complete.	6,600
360172	Harriman Spring Water Collection System	Scope of work being determined at spring site water collection system.	25,000
360173	Harriman Sheridan Creek Restoration	Project completed. Waiting for invoice to be paid.	45,464
360261	Henrys Lake Electrical Upgrade at Campground	Notice of Intent to Award issued to Skyview Electric. Completion dependent on weather. Completion winter 2007.	230,000
360271	Henrys Lake Parking Lot Chip Seal	Chip seal boat parking lot.	30,000
360431	Ashton-Tetonia Trail Construction	Awaiting completion of Design Phase Project 360461 to begin work. Construction funds/mgmt with ITD.	102,772
360461	Ashton-Tetonia Trail Construction (Design Phase)	Oct 11th presentation to the Teton County Commissioners. Final construction documents completed Nov 15th. Project bid and awarded mid May 2007.	466,828
360562	Bayhorse Planning & Design Services	TerraGraphics under contract to complete a topographic survey, ABCA, Public projcess, prelim design report.	248,416
360571	Yankee Fork Visitors Center Phase 2	ITD has awarded a \$25,000 grant.	40,000



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Spent to Date/Enc. Committed	Balance
232,590	107,410
120,000	0
35,000	0
35,000	0
30,000	0
12,601	107,399
198,352	101,648
15,000	0
30,000	0
90,000	0
16,635	83,365
2,735	17,265
43,982	1,018
4,519	5,481
44,980	155,020
25,972	24,028
1,196	538,804
0	1,050,000
48,440	41,560
0	20,000
0	50,000
8,500	50,000
0	150,000
0	20,000
1,633,890	72,835

**CURRENT ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Spent to Date/Enc. Committed	Balance
18,000	12,000
0	20,000
929	99,071
0	100,000
5	99,995
0	1,400,000
194,182	1,989,818

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## CURRENT ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Spent to Date/Enc. Committed	Balance
0	100,000
0	100,000
0	26,200
12,500	100
2,000,000	0
0	35,000
0	30,000
25,000	0
0	370,000
0	113,026
0	120,000
23,896	111,104
0	60,000
7,476	247,524
0	100,000
30,000	0
0	60,000
0	30,000
120,000	0
0	25,000
0	35,000
0	40,000
147,145	12,898
343,099	990,713
2,145,796	179,679
70,290	204,810
0	1,500,000

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**CURRENT ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Spent to Date/Enc. Committed	Balance
0	230,000
13,946	13,992
112,789	887,211
0	15,000
12,467	0
298,796	17,104
80,368	3,697
0	40,000

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## CURRENT ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Spent to Date/Enc. Committed	Balance
297,451	32,995
524,447	4,028
110,272	7,228
0	40,000
0	15,000
0	5,000
15,968	0
0	6,000
4,733	345,267
279,400	1,775,000
14,000	36,000
98,598	41,402
0	300,000
49	29,951
0	125,000
49	199,951
0	10,000
0	25,000
2,369	2,631
4,564	2,936
0	70,000
87,338	662
0	200,000
3,014,603	50,539
90,470	59,530
166,159	983,841
4,659	28,896

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**CURRENT ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Spent to Date/Enc. Committed	Balance
0	15,000
40,193	19,807
273	319,727
0	35,000
3,173	996,827
18,246	2,754
600,987	116,334

**CURRENT ACTIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Spent to Date/Enc. Committed	Balance
12,000	48,000
0	100,000
0	20,000
500	29,500
2,000	770,137
1,980	138,586
2,000,000	40,000
0	6,600
0	25,000
0	45,464
82,696	147,304
0	30,000
14,783	87,989
396,703	70,125
213	248,203
3,516	36,484





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**AGENDA**  
**Idaho Park and Recreation Board Meeting**  
**January 23-25, 2007**  
**The Grove Hotel**  
**Boise Idaho**

<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	<b>Legislative Update</b>
<b>ACTION REQUIRED:</b>	<b>Information Only</b>
<b>PRESENTER:</b>	<b>Dean Sangrey</b>
<b>DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR:</b>	<b>Dean Sangrey</b>

**PRESENTATION**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The Department is not sponsoring any specific legislation, nor do we have any proposed rules for the 2007 session.

There are some issues being considered for introduction during the session by other agencies or user groups that could impact Department operations. They include:

- A proposal that would address where off-highway-vehicles with a valid OHV sticker can legally be operated. Part of the intent is to discontinue issuing license plates to OHV's so they would no longer be allowed to operate on paved roadways. Local jurisdictions would retain the ability to allow OHV access on specific routes by ordinance.
- Efforts to increase boat registration fees, both for enhancing county boating program operations and to address invasive aquatic species.
- The state snowmobile association may introduce a proposal to increase registration fees to help address the growing costs of operating the statewide trail grooming program, including fuel, maintenance, equipment replacement, etc. They may also focus on vendor fees charged by IDPR.

**ACTION ITEM**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:** Information Only

## **NORTH REGION QUARTERLY BOARD REPORT**

October – November - December 2006

### **NORTH REGION SERVICE CENTER, DAVID WHITE, REGION MANAGER**

- David met with staff at Priest to discuss issues, Heyburn staff to review cabin dock issues and the park, and staff at Round Lake to review water and electricity upgrades with respect to long term plans for the park; worked on the Sign Manual; reviewed and discussed various TOC documents with staff, legal counsel, and the tribe; assisted with Dworshak Ranger interviews; attended Orofino North/South Trail Steering Committee meeting; participated in SOBA 2007 coordination meeting; gave a deposition to CARE legal counsel on Farragut shooting range; held a region meeting; took some time off; and attended Board meeting in Eagle; David attended both North Region Grant Workshops, one in CdA and one in Lewiston; worked diligently with Tribal representatives and State legal counsel to finalize the various State/Tribe agreements (they are expected to be completed and ready for signature by 01-04-07); attended annual conference; met with local staff to begin fund raising process for SOBA 2007 conference in CdA; conducted wildlife, hiking/backpacking, and hinting 4-H project classes; participated on the Heyburn Assistant Manager interview panel; toured Heyburn with Ron to review dock issues; provided information on OM grant requests; met with Dean and Randall to discuss various Farragut issues; and worked on sign manual.
- Region Crew completed the Heyburn volunteer sites and camping cabin installation, doing an excellent job and saving the state thousands of dollars; and assisted with the installation of CXT's at Heyburn and Farragut; started the Heyburn cabin decks; attended the annual conference; helped install the 3 Round Lake CXT's; and replaced Priest Lake Group Camp electrical pedestals.
- Georgia worked on pre-conference activities (and cleaned her office); office staff updated lease and office files; staff assisted with Region Manager Meeting and going away party for Tami Johnson; helped coordinate on-site department conference activities; spent time programming phone numbers for the new phone system; followed up on record management projects with parks; and worked on preparations for NRPA/IRPA Playground Safety Inspector Institute; Georgia and Sharon prepared and mailed out lease billings for 2007; Office staff spent time holding things together while everyone else was at conference; they have also been very busy selling annual passes, ORV stickers, and snowmobile stickers.

### **PRIEST LAKE – BUD JUSTICE, MANAGER**

- Lionhead winterized for the season. Campground water systems shut down for the winter. Flush restrooms and shower houses shut down for the season. Docks pulled in for the winter.
- Painted the Indian Creek shower building.
- Expansions of the White Pine campsites are underway.
- Camping use continued to be high for the first half October.
- Timber fuels reduction was completed at Indian Creek.
- Had our third annual Halloween party. Getting more popular every year.
- Sandy is still working hard on the reservation system, still a frustration.

- Bud will be going to the Chamber of Commerce meetings, Snowmobile Groomer meetings and the Local Emergency Planning Committee meetings every month.
- Bud, Faith, Craig, Sandy and Natasha went to the annual conference.
- Bud went to the snowmobile groomer meeting. New groomer should arrive soon.
- The court injunction for riding snowmobiles on the west side was reversed.
- Signed the 2006-2007s Snowmobile trail permit with IDL.
- Prepared winter snow removal and grooming equipment, and put it into use with 14" of snow this month.
- Hosted the statewide fisheries meeting for the IDFG.
- Housing site survey completed with Andrew Conkey and Tom Joyner.
- Craig went to Old Mission to conduct Past Perfect training.
- NR maintenance crew installed the group camp electrical pedestals.
- Conducted reservation system tests.

#### **ROUND LAKE – DAVE RUSSELL, MANAGER**

- Ordered summer 07 supplies.
- H2O and restroom shut down, blow out sprinkler system for winter.
- Replace computer, again.
- Performed reservation system test.
- Acquired bids for dock ramps. Acquired bids for house renovation needs.
- Worked with southeast publication for park map.
- Winterized mowers, whackers, etc.
- Seasonal Ranger laid off 10-17-06.
- Installed 3 CXT vault toilets – did clean up work from toilet installation.
- Repaired broken H2O valves, table refinishing work, installed new boat dock ramps, and pumped out & dismantled old Oregon pit toilets.
- Attended annual conference in Boise.
- Mounted snow removal equipment, plowed and sanded roads.
- Closed summer entrance / opened winter entrance.

#### **FARRAGUT – RANDALL BUTT, MANAGER**

- Thanks to Ron at Heyburn we were able to get more trail and roadwork done with their dozer he allowed us to borrow in two weeks than this Park has seen in a longtime.
- All buildings have been shut down and winterized.
- Two great Eagle Scout projects were started; one to install signing on the disc golf course, the other will be installing interp signs on the scout trail.
- Our new Ranger Jake McCoy started the 22nd.
- The St. Jude's ride, a benefit horse ride was held that drew over 150 participants.
- The N.W. Llama Association held their end of the year regional gathering of long-necked crazy Llamas at the corral campground, this drew nearly 100 people and a whole lotta Llamas.
- Resource work started on 20 acres next to the Squirrel Cache trailhead, expected completion is by mid December. This project is an economic impact for local loggers, mills and end distribution.

- Continued to work with engineer contractors on the centralized sewer system. Draft report by the engineering firm estimated costs well beyond current funding. This project will have multi-million dollar impact on the economy for permits, engineering, design work, materials and construction.
- Gilmore completion is still outstanding as contractor waits for materials that were delayed because of color selection. This project is a 1.2 million dollar impact to the local economy in permits, engineering, design work, materials and construction.
- Park staff have continued to proceed with needed upgrades to the winter operation system and correct the waterline leaks.
- The final campground with services was taken off line early in November and camping was restricted to primitive use at Thimbleberry and Corral (Corral will close when snow conditions warrant closure of the roads).
- The Cross Country Ski course was prepped and signed, with the first users arriving on Thanksgiving weekend after 4" of snow.
- Park staff worked on the Lynx and Buggy trail systems during the month putting them at 80% completion. The Lynx trail system will be a non-motorized route alternative for park users on the south side that will connect all campgrounds, day use areas, disc golf and the Visitor Center. A significant portion of the Lynx trail system is used in the winter for the Cross Country skiing course. The Buggy trail will be a 10 mile loop based from the Corral area suitable for double track non-motorized use (horse and llama buggies and carriages, bicycles, hikers, etc.), that will not require users to ride on the road system with traffic.

#### **COEUR D'ALENE PARKWAY – RANDALL BUTT, MANAGER**

- Met with local landowner at the bottom of Redmond Hill that would like to build a 100-slip marina with an access tunnel under the North Idaho Centennial Trail. This same landowner expressed that with their ownership of the land adjacent to the Trail from Beacon Point westward about 1 mile they would like to clarify the "questionable" (in their opinion) riparian rights held by ITD. They are proposing an exchange where they would quit claim rights at Beacon Point for clear ownership at the marina. This local development would have a significant impact on the local economy and the trail's view shed.
- Met with local developer next to the Rutledge trailhead and with ITD. We agreed to an encroachment of a sewer force line, repositioning of the trail (caused by prior developer work), and landscaping mitigation.
- Because the local kokanee population of fish has decreased this year and forced a closure of fishing on the lake, use at the launch ramp decreased this month. With a limited food source migrating eagles are not expected to stay in the area as long as normal this winter.

#### **COEUR D'ALENES OLD MISSION – BILL SCUDDER, MANAGER**

- Karen Bollard from the Dept. of Commerce was here as part of FAM.
- Bill attended tourism function in Spokane sponsored by the Spokane CVB.
- Idaho Heritage Trust held their annual grants review workshop at the park. St. Dominic's held their annual pilgrimage and Mass here.
- Visitation slowing- The Visitor Center was closed for the winter at the end of the month. The Mission and Parish House remain open year around.

- New Center pushed back another month due to lead paint and asbestos study.
- Lost the last of our seasonals.
- Roger has been organizing and cataloging the park equipment files.
- Roger has gotten the Shoshone County snowmobile program off and running. He has attended groomer meetings and the park is once again the place to call to find out the latest grooming information.
- Dave and Bill attended the bi-annual conference in Boise and really enjoyed it. Bill especially enjoyed the banquet and awards presentation. He really has been blessed to work for such a great agency.
- Bill assisted Heyburn with their interview process for a new Assistant Manager.
- Bill and either Roger or Lonnie will talk to the NIC Mostead Library in December.

#### **TRAIL OF THE COEUR D'ALENES – BILL SCUDDER, MANAGER**

- Bill met with Rails-to-Trails group in Tekoa to discuss possible extension of our trail to Washington's John Wayne.
- The parks crew spent several days cutting trees and brush back from sides of the trail and cleaned it all up using the Region chipper.
- All equipment has been winterized.
- Working with Dave Smith Motors to acquire a vehicle to replace our overworked mules.
- The RAMP agreement has been finalized and submitted to UPRR.
- The trail is being realigned in Smelterville as a safety measure with the coming of Wal-Mart.
- Installed another interpretive sign in the Pinehurst area.
- Looking forward to the finalization of all the outstanding agreements and transfer of ownership by January.
- Dave installed "snow markers" along the trail from Wallace and Mullan in anticipation of snowmobile use this winter.
- Dave began X-C grooming on the trail.
- Roger, Lonnie and Dave all have been out on the trail between Mullan and Wallace removing trees and brush so the County Groomer can groom this section.
- Roger and Lonnie have upgraded and repaired one of our Trail "Mules" for the upcoming season.
- Bill has been working with the Tribe (Dean) on redeveloping a new trail brochure.
- Bill has been reviewing and commenting on several State/Tribe agreements which are needed for ownership and transfer of the UP property.
- Bill attended the 10th annual Phoenix award presentation in Boston to help accept an award for the trail on behalf of the state.
- Staff has been plowing the Trailheads for winter access to the trail.

#### **HEYBURN – RON HISE, MANAGER**

- Took the cruise boat to Post Falls for inspection and maintenance. We also got it painted so it doesn't look like the CDA cruise boats anymore. The dark green and tan look very nice. It will spend the winter in Post Falls.

- We had the inmate crew from Orofino camp at Benewah Lake for two weeks to do prescribed burn prep work in the Benewah Lake timber sale area. We are planning on doing the under burn next spring.
- Ron participated in two welcome center/park headquarters planning meetings. Ron attended the region park manager's meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Hawley's Landing and Benewah campgrounds were winterized and closed for the season. All outside water in the park has been shut off. Only pit toilets and porta potties are available.
- The Rangers have been working on fixing several water leaks throughout the park before winter sets in.
- The Coeur d'Alene Tribe held their annual water potato days at Hawley's Landing and Benewah Lake October 25-27.
- Ranger Eric Kinnaman's last day was October 7<sup>th</sup>. The Mowry house has been winterized. Hate to leave it unattended for too long.
- The new CXT toilet was installed near our new camping cabins. Thanks Tom, Pat & Lanny!
- The Governor's Conference on Recreation and Tourism will be held at the Coeur d'Alene Casino next May. Ron met briefly with Casino staff to discuss possibilities for hosting activities at Heyburn (Cruises, BBQ, etc.). More to come later.
- Staff completed winterizing facilities and equipment. Hawley's Landing campground was closed on November 1st.
- Ron, Scott, and Leslie attended the annual conference in Boise.
- Ron met with the Benewah County Commissioners on November 13th to express concerns and ideas on improving communications.
- Ron also gave a presentation in St. Maries on the 13th on park happenings to a group of State legislators as part of a tour put together by the North Idaho Chamber of Commerce.
- Ron spoke with the president of the Heyburn Leaseholders Association about scheduling regular meetings to discuss park issues and improve communications.
- Winter weather and strong winds kept staff busy clearing roads and tying things down in the marina areas.
- Our Resource Specialist is back on the park's payroll until the end of the fiscal year. He has been administering a couple of timber sales and working on the Homestead sale to be sold next year.
- Assistant Manager interviews were held in the park on the 28<sup>th</sup>--Chris Hoosick will be transferring in to take the Asst Mgr position.
- Ron began gathering CCC historical information to pass on to the NW Preservation School folks who plan on being here next year.
- Our last seasonal ended employment on November 30th.

#### **MCCROSKEY – RON HISE, MANAGER**

- Ron and Dennis winterized water system and fire pumper and prepared park for upcoming winter weather.
- Dennis and Ron talked with several hunters and woodcutters throughout the month.
- Timber contractor finished road grading and improvements.

- Worked with IDL staff on upcoming timber sales and transferring Resource Specialist over to park payroll beginning November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- IDL staff conducted more prescribed burning in the Red Tail area and also took care of some slash piles that needed burning.
- The King Valley Road was graveled down to the park boundary. This was a requirement of the last timber sale.
- IDL Fire crew dropped hazard trees along the King Valley Road to alleviate problems with trees falling and blocking vehicle travel.
- Survey work and timber marking continued in the King Valley timber sale area.
- Our Resource Specialist has been switched over to the park payroll and will continue until the end of the fiscal year and then go back to the IDL payroll.
- Ron finished the new park map that will be available for visitors and other interested parties.
- Winter weather and windstorms have downed trees and blocked several roads. Most of the roads have been cut open by people traveling through Skyline Drive on there way hunting.

#### **DWORSHAK – KRISTI STEPHENS, MANAGER**

- The Freeman Creek water system has been shut down for the winter.
- Three Meadows had its last visitors of the year. The last of our host headed out.
- Erin and Don attended the CIG training at Harriman. Don attended the Train the Trainer in Lewiston. Kristi attended the managers meeting in CDA. Kristi met with Andrew Conkey on up coming engineering issues. Kristi met with Tami Johnson, Tom Joyner, and Andrew Conkey (Andrew was phone conferenced) on up coming grant proposals.
- Kristi responded to the COE inspection report.
- Don worked on the Big Eddy Deck railing.
- Erin met with partners on the Extreme Explorers for this year.
- Kristi is working with Cheryl DeBelloy on improving Internet service to Big Eddy.
- Kristi and Erin picked up trees from the City of Post Falls and Kristi, Erin, Don, and Mendy planted trees.
- November began with the Big Event (Annual Conference). Dworshak had three attendees, Kristi Stephens, Erin Zemke, and Don West.
- Worked on projects left from summer.
- Worked on grant proposals for the up coming year.
- Worked on the workplace safety committee.
- We also saw our first snowfall and began plowing

#### **GLADE CREEK – KRISTI STEPHENS, MANAGER**

- Mendy (Glade Creek Seasonal) left for the winter.
- Closed for the season.

#### **HELLS GATE – MIKE MCELHATTON, MANAGER**

- Two big events held at Hells Gate in October. A "train the trainer" ORV and ATV was held the 26th and 27th with Clearwater Co SO, IDFG, IDPR, employees participating. The first ATV "kids class" held by IDPR was also held here. Two women's classes are

scheduled for the weeks ahead.

- The Idaho State Cross Country meet was held here on October 28. There were several thousand people attending, as participants, program officials, and spectators.
- The Corps has granted approval for the construction of a new entrance booth. The old booth will be removed next month and replaced with a sign and fee tube. The new booth will be put in place early next spring.
- Concession restaurant opened. Business has been slow but better than anticipated for this time of year.
- A small number of campers are still using the park
- Most of the park staff attended the conference in Boise.
- Leaf raking has begun. We borrow a leaf vacuum from the City of Lewiston and leaf raking will take about two weeks.
- The Jack O'Connor Center has decided to hire a part time person to oversee day-to-day operations. This person should be onboard by late January.

#### **WINCHESTER – TED SCHERFF, MANAGER**

- Park staff pulled 5 additional fish platforms from the lakeshore due to the hazardous condition of them.
- All seasonal staff is gone.
- Park staff collaborated with Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game in an ichthyological survey.
- All park facilities are winterized. Park staff laid underground pipe for electrical to new yurt and installed a portion of interior framing for winter snow package.
- Requested cost estimates for park housing renovations submitted.
- Recruitment is underway for a new park secretary. Winchester's park ranger posting is currently open.
- Two additional park staff have been certified as Interpretive Guides.
- Park staff is working on interpretive signage and trail work for the RV grant funded signage. Park staff attended the Lewiston-Clarkston Kiwanis Club meeting and the North Central Idaho Travel Association meeting.
- Winchester Lake had two employees attend the IDPR Conference.
- Park staff attended the North Central Idaho Travel Association meeting.
- Six of Winchester's eight volunteers for 2007 are lined-up.
- Winter storms are causing much wind damage and we are continually recovering from the downed debris.
- Plowing lots of snow!
- Park tractor is being repaired as a capital expenditure.
- Park staff is working with the Idaho Dept. of Lands staff to remove hazardous trees along business highway 95 between the park and the community of Winchester.
- The IDPR records inventory has been completed.

#### **STATE INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM – LARRY MINK**

- Held a Certified Interpretive Guide class at Harriman State Park, 15 people in attendance.
- Traveled to Winchester Lake to start the wayside exhibit project. Ponderosa North Beach wayside signs reviewed and graphic design begun. Traveled to Priest Lake for the Indian Creek wayside project.



- Prepared for National Association For Interpretation National Workshop session on Train the Trainers.
- Attended the National Association For Interpretation Workshop In Albuquerque, NM. Presented a session on training methods at this workshop.
- Worked with Winchester and Priest Lake staffs on their wayside exhibit projects. Draft text and ideas are complete.
- Yankee Fork "Corner Interpretive Project" with interpretive waysides is complete with signs in the ground.
- Priorities set and some purchases made for parks interpretive capital items, such as cameras, projectors, etc.
- Started the planning process for the annual interpretive training in March.
- North Beach Ponderosa paddle trail interpretive signs draft designs complete.

### **OUTDOOR RECREATION PROGRAM – MARTY GANGIS**

- Attend access meeting in Orofino to discuss a North South ATV trail connecting the local communities with loops and access routes in towns.
- Meet with John Nichols (Kootenai County Groomer Coordinator) and Al Bindrup with Peterson Equipment on upcoming groomer bids and purchase.
- Attend North Region meeting here in Coeur d'Alene.
- Finalize trail contracts with North Region trail bike and ATV clubs.
- Attend meeting with Steve and Kootenai County representatives about possible grants and associated programs within the county. Sheriff's office may apply for a grant to assist them in law enforcement issues pertaining to ATV use. Could possibly be a pilot project to see how feasible a law enforcement program can be.
- Attend "Motorized Task Force" meeting at the Forest Service office in Fernan. Topic of discussion was primarily education within the local schools about motorized recreation on public land. Putting together a "packet" of information to be given to local ATV and trail bike dealers to be handed out when a machine is purchased. Packet would include requirements on equipment, safety classes and maps.
- Attend another access meeting in Orofino this month to discuss a possible trail system connecting communities. All land agencies were represented. Potlatch Corporation has an issue with resource damage on their land. Would like reassurance that if such resource damage does occur that they be compensated. Discussed grant options, fees, etc.
- Meet with Mark Ponozzo in Orofino to discuss options about groomer repairs for program 25B. After discussing with Steve it was agreed to have the groomer motor boxed up and sent to Peterson Equipment in Reno, Nevada. Mark was going to discuss with board and get back to us. Possibly 4 week turn around on repairs.
- Meet with representatives from program 18 at Headquarters to see their new groomer shed and the groomer, which was gone through by Tucker. The groomer repair was exceptional and the groomer shed was impressive.
- Assist Rich Gummarsal in conducting train the trainer courses in Lewiston. Major assistance from Judy Feider at Hells Gate. A special thank you goes out to Mike McElhatton for his insight on the need for ATV's and trail bikes training areas. The trainers held an ATV responsible riders course for two children.
- Attend grant workshop in Coeur d'Alene.

- Attend our Department's grant workshop in Coeur d'Alene. This workshop is open to the public and informs individuals and agencies of the grant application process.
- Jerhad Siegel, North Idaho College student, interviews me for a "career fair" paper required by his recreation major.
- Attend IDPR annual conference in Boise. Attend program staff meeting the next day following the conference.
- Attend North Idaho ATV club meeting in Coeur d'Alene. Group discusses upcoming meetings in Coeur d'Alene and Lewiston about proposed legislation regarding licensing of ATV's.
- Attend OHV proposed legislation public meeting regarding the licensing of ATV's. The first meeting, for North Idaho, was held in Lewiston and the next in Coeur d'Alene.
- Attend meeting with Steve Frost and Dave Claycomb concerning the Potlatch Corporation and their interest in developing an area of their property know as the dredges. They would like to see the "dredges" developed into an area that may be utilized as a jumping off point to the surrounding trails in the area.
- Do necessary paperwork to acquire two drags for two separate snowmobile programs.
- Attend Kootenai Co. groomer board meeting concerning the reorganization of their program. The board and county commissioners determined, that Del Kerr, past president, take the program over. At present Del has continued to run an excellent program.

## **DEVELOPMENT – TOM JOYNER**

### **Heyburn:**

- Cabins: Two Cabins have been placed, power has been installed and decks are being built.
- Cabins Restroom: Restroom has been installed and electrical service is completed.
- Volunteer Sites: Four sites have been constructed with Electrical service, Water and Sewer installation completed. COMPLETE

### **Farragut:**

- Gilmore campground project: Utilities are in, roads paved; Shower restroom nearing completion, irrigation and seeding has been completed. Anticipate a May opening.
- Upper Willow Cabins: New CXT restroom has been placed. COMPLETE

### **Priest Lake:**

- Indian Creek dock: Replacement bids have been accepted, awaiting deliverance.
- Replace old Shower house: Restroom shower house has been ordered, schedule installation pending manufacture construction schedule. Most likely will be placed in the spring
- Replace old Restroom vicinity of West side dock: Restroom shower house has been ordered, schedule installation pending manufacture construction schedule. Most likely will be placed in the spring.
- Lion Head Group Camp: New power meter installed, conduit, service wire and RV terminals are installed. COMPLETE.
- Compost Restroom: Pan decking requirements completed for the floor, Electrical requirements identified, pending schedule for relocating electrical with Mac's Electric. Tank needs to be removed. Power has been disconnected and the electrician is

## **SOUTH REGION QUARTERLY REPORT**

October-November-December 2006

### **SOUTH REGION OFFICE - RICK BROWN, REGION MANAGER**

- Park Manager vacancies at both Lake Cascade and Thousand Springs were filled with Theresa Perry and David Landrum, respectively. We are excited to have them on board. We are planning on filling Bruneau Dunes and Lucky Peak Manager vacancies next, in that order. In addition to their regular South Region duties, the front desk support staff has served as receptionists and customer service representatives for agency headquarters, and worked at the front gate of Eagle Island State Park several times (during cross-country track meets) collecting MVEF. During the absence of an HQ receptionist the region staff has also
  - ❑ Accessed and filled online and telephone requests for agency publications.
  - ❑ Serviced walk-in recreation registrations.
  - ❑ Provided Conference room and Class (including avalanche and telephone) scheduling.
  - ❑ Handled Fleet vehicle check out and log book records.
  - ❑ Cleaned and re-organized reception area, and kept brochure racks full.
  - ❑ Updated phone extensions, interoffice phone directory, and statewide phone lists as needed
  - ❑ Kept records of requests and processed backorders for publications that were being updated (approximately 300 EACH of Cross Country Skiing and Idaho City Yurts).
  - ❑ Proofread agency publications for individual State Parks.
  - ❑ Typed labels for mail-out to all IDPR personnel.
  - ❑ Ordered IDPR shirts several times for interested personnel.
  - ❑ Helped update and clean registration database.
  - ❑ Assisted with special projects to help meet deadlines by folding/stuffing, labeling, typing, photocopying and checking records as requested by various departments.
  - ❑ Helped stuff packets for the Annual Conference.

### **SOUTH REGION CONSTRUCTION CREW – SCOTT JOHNSON, FOREMAN**

- Paul and Scott spent part of the month at Eagle Island getting the area near the west picnic shelter ready for a new playground. Time was spent cutting out sod, leveling the ground, and digging the many holes required. They hauled the old Region vehicle lift that had been stored at Ponderosa back to the shop at Eagle and eventually took it to Three Island where the Bear Lake crew met them. The Bear Lake crew took it back to their park. R209 was delivered to Three Island and R227 was delivered to Cascade. These were the construction crew dump trucks that have now been replaced. They dug up a broken water line at Headquarters for repair. Scott and Paul also spent time shuttling the new trucks into shops for work on trailer brakes and to get new radios installed for communication. Paul attended the annual conference.

### **PONDEROSA STATE PARK – DENNIS COYLE, PARK MANAGER**

- Snow has fallen and limited grooming has begun. The Valley Wide Ski pass has been selling well. We will continue to receive \$25.00 for each pass sold. We expect an increase in pass sales.
- Demolition of the buildings at Lakeview will begin soon. Manager met with Magnum Demolition concerning the schedule. Asbestos removal has slowed things down a bit. All buildings will be removed this winter.
- Reviewed the proposed site plan for Lakeview with all parties and it is a good design. The City of McCall has requested a presentation of the final plan.
- Planning for the World Masters continues.
- Girl Scout Lease continues to cause concern. They are planning on plowing into the property all winter. This will limit our ski trails and jeopardize our events, most notably the World Masters in 08.
- We are nearing completion of two thinning/fuel reduction projects and one on the Girl Scout property.
- Moved the ranger trailer out of Lakeview and into the shop area for the winter. It will be replaced in the spring with new housing.
- The snowmobile used for grooming has transmission problems. We are attempting to patch it together for one more winter.
- Manager was asked to make a presentation to the Idaho Industry and Environment Council.
- Skier and snowshoe visitation has picked up with the arrival of snow. The Valley ski pass has also helped to increase visitation. The park received \$2,575 in November for valley pass sales. We expect considerable more for December. Park pass sales have decreased with the fee changes for camping. Visitation is up 5% over last year and this with a late start to winter.
- Girl Scouts have continued to remove firewood from the camp, and the plowing of Pilgrim Cove Road has adversely affected the ski trails at the park. Girl Scout lease is up for renewal; hopefully these issues can be resolved.
- Park staff had to evacuate two skiers this month, people who over-extended themselves.
- Park wide track has died, transmission striped. Park is looking at a replacement.
- Asbestos has been removed from the old Lakeview site; demolition should begin in early January.
- Camping reservations are piling up. Calls for information are frequent. Requests for special group events are on the increase. Recommend we discuss establishment of an agency-wide standard for considering commercial events and what process should be followed.

## **LAKE CASCADE STATE PARK – THERESA PERRY, PARK MANAGER**

- The month of November was a month of conversions and recovery for the Cascade team.
- Park staff readied vehicles and equipment for winter and campground and day use areas were winterized. Seasonal employee, Daniel Fisher started this month to help with the winter operation and maintenance. Staff started on the final record retention/inventory and enjoyed a small bon fire as files were purged and merged. Ed and Manager Theresa Perry traveled to Boise to attend the pre request for proposal for the Poison Creek Marina/Store Complex.
- Tracy Osborn was off for most of the month due to illness and related surgery but has returned to work, “feeling better than ever.” Ona Mae Zumwalt has also been on sick leave due to surgery and will remain off for most of December. She is in touch with the park and is recovering nicely.
- Manager Theresa Perry arrived in early November; her first day on the job was the 15th. She has spent her first few weeks: getting to know staff, some of the issues and the partners and relationships that are important to the park. The park and BOR staff as well as the local community has been so helpful and welcoming as she begins her transition to Lake Cascade State Park.
- Training opportunities this month included the annual conference and the new Performance Management process.
- The winter season seemed to start and stop several times during the month of December. The park staff was kept busy trying to stay in front of the unpredictable weather. However, the end of the month brought much colder temperatures so many of the parking areas were laden with a heavy layer of ice.
- The holiday season has brought an increase in visitation to the Day Use Areas, primarily for ice fishing and an increase in overnight use at the Osprey Point Group Yurts. We have not been able to begin grooming for cross-country skiing on the Crown Point trail due to low snow conditions.
- Park staff joined Bureau of Reclamation employee Warren Sedlacek, Natural Resource Specialist; to tour and learn more about the sites he manages on the east side of the Lake. It was beneficial to understand the responsibilities and challenges the Bureau has around the lake. We will attempt to join him again in the spring to tour the sites on the west side.
- Theresa attended her first Valley County Waterway Committee meeting, from that, work has begun on two Waterways Improvement Grants; dock replacement at Poison Creek and the development of a lake map. Theresa also attended her first Cascade Chamber of Commerce meeting and Lake Cascade Marina Meeting, Theresa will serve on a new committee for the Lake Cascade Marina. The subcommittee will define the relationship between private enterprise and public agencies. Theresa also attended the South Region Managers meeting in Boise.
- Becky Cooper has started interviewing and hiring volunteers for the 2007 season; this process will continue for several weeks. Tracy continued to work on site information for the reservation system. Ed completed and submitted the park’s Capitol Outlay requests.

Matt has taken on the lion's share of writing the grant request for the Poison Creek dock replacement.

- As a result of the relationship that Theresa had with the Juvenile Correction Center in St. Anthony, potential for a new partnership is developing. Theresa, Matt and Tracy met with staff from the Nampa Juvenile Correction Center. This center is a 36 bed drug and alcohol treatment facility for juveniles between the ages of 13 and 19. We will look for ways to introduce the center's groups to the resources and work projects of the park.
- Most of the staff has also enjoyed time off for the holidays. We are looking forward to the challenges of the New Year!

#### **EAGLE ISLAND STATE PARK – GARY SHELLEY, PARK MANAGER**

- It has been very busy here at Eagle Island State Park during the last two months. We have been working on the following projects;
- Working with the South Region crew installing the park's new playground equipment, which has been on hand at the park for several years and not installed for various reasons.
- We have been investigating the possibility of beginning a tree farm at the park in preparation of having trees of size to plant after park improvement construction.
- Nita and I have been working with the Gem State Disc Golfers to install an 18-hole disc course at the park. 9 of the baskets have come from Walcott and 9 baskets will be new. We will have this installed and ready to go before next season.
- We are also working with our park volunteer in rehabbing and reorganizing the park maintenance shop. Our volunteer is a retired electrician and is making some great improvements in safety issues and functions of the shop.
- Park staff attended the conference, performance evaluation training and noxious weeds abatement training and the fall board meeting in Eagle. A tour of the park was also given to several board members.
- The park has hosted many special events this fall. These include a horse group fund-raiser, district cross-country races and 4 cycle cross events.
- We are very pleased with the increased interest in requests for special events to be held at the park next year. New requests have come from NNU and Albertson's College to host Cross Country races at the park. A dog walk fund-raiser is also being proposed, as is a summer concert series at the park. Disc golf events will also be new in 2007.

#### **LUCKY PEAK STATE PARK – CHRIS HOOSICK, PARK MANAGER**

- **IDAHO CITY YURTS**-All yurts have been stocked and supplied for the upcoming winter season. Last minute maintenance items completed, winter signs installed, site furniture repaired. A new frequently asked questions brochure was developed for the ICY trail system in an attempt to improve our communications with our users. Jennifer did such a fantastic job editing the final draft into a color format that it made our old black and white trail map brochure look ..well amateurish. So it was decided to incorporate the two into one outstanding brochure. Way to go team! (Jan, Leo, Bud, Surat, Jenn and

Chris). ICY advisory committee convened to aid us in determining future management direction.

- **LUCKY PEAK** - The Park finished hosting it's third and last cycle cross race of the season. Although the weather wasn't cooperating the organizer was still able to attract riders from as far away as Sun Valley. This event now in its second year has steadily attracted more participants and shows promise for the future to attract new customers and revenue.
- The crew spent most of the month winterizing facilities, cleaning up from summer mayhem, waterways and noxious weed grants and working on equipment.
- Accomplishments: Finally after ten years, staff operating out of the Sandy Point shop may have running water and the use of an indoor restroom facility. Construction of a new water line that will provide potable water to the maintenance shop is nearly complete. Hats off to those that finally made this happen!
- With sufficient snowfall in early December, staff was able to pack, shape and groom all Nordic trails at the ID City Park N' Ski area. Extra grooming days were added to enhance trail conditions for our users during the peak holiday season.
- A new color and informative Park N' Ski brochure was developed and distributed to all our partners promoting the use of the Idaho City trails. The Park N' Ski citizen advisory committee convened twice this month for lively discussions on the future management of the ID City Park N' Ski area. Staff attended the Winter Recreation Alliance's film festival to promote the ID City trails.
- Three WIF grants were completed and submitted by deadline.
- Noxious weed cost share grant was submitted to Dept. of Agriculture.

#### **BRUNEAU DUNES STATE PARK – STEVE RUSSELL, ACTING PARK MANAGER**

- Rangers have been busy winterizing irrigation lines, main water lines, and buildings in campground and day use areas. Turf and fire equipment have been winterized. Vehicle & equipment maintenance continues.
- The addition to the Steele Reese is slowly coming along. They finished painting the restrooms and putting in partitions. They also put up one doorframe. We are still waiting for the block to come in.
- Grant took some well-deserved vacation time. We all enjoyed the annual conference. All our seasonal staff is gone till next spring.
- The observatory last night for season was November 11<sup>th</sup>. It will reopen mid-March. Bob worked on interpretive capital outlay and is still giving programs to Boy Scout troops & Schools in the Boise area. Grant has been working on sign requests and volunteer recruitment. Steve has attended work place safety meeting and a grant workshop. Steve also worked with reservation system acceptance testing. Steve, Bob and Grant attended the performance management training.

- Steve attended Mountain Home chamber travel & tourism meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. They said they would support us on our grant for improvements on Broken Wheel campground restroom improvements. Bob presented programs to BSU, Riverview Elementary and a Kuna Cub Scout pack.
- The rangers have been working on vehicle maintenance & services, burning weeds, and some snow removal Christmas weekend. Grant & Bob are still working on program development for spring. Bob is working on list of multi-media items for the addition on Steele Reese. The block has finally arrived for the Steele Reese building addition. The contractor has been fighting the wind and the cold to get the block work done. Restroom remodel is almost done. The electrical work and some hole patching still needs to be done. Grant and Steve took a couple of days off to spend time with their families during Christmas time. We look forward to new challenges this year.

### **THREE ISLAND STATE PARK – JOHN FRANK, PARK MANAGER**

- The months of November/December have kept the staff busy with repairs and facility maintenance projects. Ed and Vance have been winterizing facilities and preparing equipment for winter storage. Ed and Vance have been repairing, sanding and staining cabin furniture. John has attended meetings with IDL and BLM within the last month. John attended Leadership training in November. John has developed Wildland Fire Response plans for a couple of parks. Camping and Day-use activities have come to a halt with the cold weather. Weather permitting, prescribe burning will begin again in December.
- Ed and Vance have been remodeling the Frank Clark wagon. All the staff has been reviewing old forms and records. Three 30-gallon trashcans have been filled so far. John has been preparing budgets, weed plans, semi-annual work plans and fire plans.

### **THOUSAND SPRINGS PARK DISTRICT – TOM COESTER, ACTING PARK MANAGER**

- Things are slowing down here. Ranger Tom Coester attended a meeting to discuss the (Blues in the Park) festival and the committee was very happy with the event and they believe that it will grow each year. Next years Blues in the Park will be held on Sept 8, 2007.
- On Nov 17, Ranger Coester took a tour of Ritter Island as part of a feasibility study group.
- Crew spent a great deal of time winterizing Billingsley Creek and getting the Garden center ready for a program for about 100 children from Filer school district. Crew has been pruning trees at Malad and Niagara all month long at Niagara. They are cutting the brush along the road to Crystal Lake to increase visibility and to open up more areas to see the Snake River. We have a lot of trees down at Malad some of which was beaver damage but most of it is from building a new irrigation ditch.



- Ranger Coester also spent a lot of time preparing for Ritter Island to become part of the complex and on December 18, Ritter Island was turned over to IDPR. He met with some of the local legislators at the Vardis Fisher property. They were interested in the ARS project. The lake project has slowed down due to weather. IDPR is still working on a farm agreement. Hopefully, it will be completed soon.
- The crew is still working in removing brush between Pugmire and Crystal Lake and more tree trimming is needed at Malad Gorge. Ranger Coester had a meeting with Recreation Idaho who distribute life trails equipment; this equipment consists of a short trail system with 10 exercise stations designed for older folks.

## **Issues:**

### **PONDEROSA**

- Manager will need to make a decision on concessions, resale items, vendors and liquor sales during the World Masters. I see two options, the park can permit each request per our policy or we can blanket permit the Organizing Committee with our review of each concession permitted ensuring they follow our guidelines.
- Girl Scouts lease.

### **EAGLE ISLAND**

- During the past two months we have had some issues with a neighbor of the park on Mace Road denying staff access. This has been successfully addressed.
- There have also been some questions regarding water rights issues/share from the Eagle Island Water Users Assoc. This has been clarified and will be passed on at the next Assoc. meeting.

### **LAKE CASCADE**

- Attempting to secure a location for the development of park staff housing remains critical. We will not be able to retain or recruit employees if this issue is not resolved in the near future.

### **THREE ISLAND**

- Seasonal housing.

## **Questions or Clarification for Policy Staff**

- None at this time.

## **Month of December Meetings and Events**

### **PONDEROSA**

- 12/20 City Transportation Committee on Lick Creek and Davis Intersection
- 1/6 Free ski day
- 2/24 World Masters Preliminary Race, Payette Lakes Ski Marathon

**LAKE CASCADE**

- 12/5 Valley County Waterways meeting
- Chamber of Commerce meeting – each Tuesday
- 12/6 BOR site tour – east side of lake
- 12/13 Cascade Marina Meeting

**LUCKY PEAK**

- 12/14 Idaho City Advisory meeting

**THREE ISLAND**

- 12/5 South Central Idaho Fire Planning in Shoshone
- 12/12 Chamber of Commerce meeting

## **EAST REGION QUARTERLY REPORT**

OCTOBER—NOVEMBER—DECEMBER 2006

### **EAST REGION SERVICE CENTER – GARTH TAYLOR, REGION MANAGER**

- Garth and Troy Elmore, East Region Outdoor Recreation Program Specialist, met in Island Park with Mayor Tom Jewell regarding seven proposed recreation highway crossings in Island Park as supported by Fremont County, Forest Service, and ITD.
- Garth and Kelly Burrows, Planning Supervisor, met in Rigby with the Idaho Transportation Department concerning the final interview of the Forsgren Draft Development Plan for the Ashton-Tetonia Trail.
- Garth and Rick Just, Comprehensive Planning-Research and Review Coordinator, continue to provide Experience Idaho Park Site public meetings and, by special request, host tours of the nominated Rising River Park site. These two activities—meetings and tours—help to familiarize the public with the nominated site in preparation for the next phase of this project. The Environmental Assessment and Appraisal have been completed with no surprises.
- Collections Management Team (Keith Hobbs, Bill Scudder, Dan Smith, Garth Taylor) has presented the draft program on collections management procedures to Director Meinen and TAG for review and comments.
- Dedicated computers, complete with PastPerfect, were purchased for specific collections parks. The park representatives who trained on PastPerfect (Craig Brown, Priest Lake; Darla Cutler, Harriman; Kathleen Durfee, Yankee Fork; Lonnie Johnson, Old Mission; Kathy Pruett, Three Island; Dan Smith, Yankee Fork) are preparing for the next phase of the project. Land of the Yankee Fork will be the lead park in this project with the master database on IDPR antiquity collections.
- Incident Accident Team: The policy document is complete; the procedures document is nearing completion. MIS has recently created administrative tables and, by early January, will present a test version of the executable version of the Incident/Accident file. Betsy Johnson, David Claycomb, Jennifer Colcord, Dennis Woolford, Garth Taylor, and MIS representatives comprise the team. Incident reporting and incident data tracking are critical components toward a heightened awareness of and the ability to identify trends and problem areas—the first step in being able to take preventative measures or to shift our focus to specific issues. This project will assist in identifying trends with workplace safety issues.
- Workplace Safety Committee representatives Dave Ricks (Administrator of Management Services), Jim Rice (Purchasing), Joyce Clark (Human Resource), Brad Shilling (City of Rocks National Reserve), Steve Russell (Bruneau State Park), Erin Zemke (Dworshak State Park), Garth Taylor (East Region Service Center) and Rich Gummarsall (Recreation Programs) have been meeting to create an IDPR “Work Place Safety Program” with the objective of reducing, reporting, and tracking work place incidents and accidents. IDPR has identified a need to implement a safety and loss control, “work place safety” program to assure employees have a safe place to work in as well as to encourage consistent safe behavior. The Team has submitted

draft policies to TAG and Field Staff for comment on issue areas. The Team is creating draft procedures and training components through January.

### **BEAR LAKE STATE PARK – KIRK RICH, PARK MANAGER**

#### Customer Service

- Good news: In November the reservation system was up and running. We made over \$4,000 with group use reservations on the November 29-30. All July and August 2007 weekends are now reserved in the Group Camp area. Some groups have grown so large that we have requested they reserve both camps adjacent to each other. So far this has worked out just fine. The modest increase of \$20.00 per site has also been accepted by the customer. The patience and perseverance of folks who call during the entire month of October has paid off nicely. The additional \$1,000 in December revenue brings the 2007 reservations to over \$5,000 for group camp and day-use shelter reservations.

#### Utilization of facilities

- There was some camping the first week of October. However, all utilities were shut down and the campground closed by November. Some restrooms in the day-use areas will remain open.

#### Park Managers Report

- In October, winter arrived early with about 20 inches of snow in the high country. The lake level has begun to recover as Bear River water is diverted into Bear Lake. Although the weather turned severe briefly in mid-November, the park staff continued to work outside on some important projects. Winter continued to keep its distance into December. We have six inches of snow on the valley floor and two to three feet in the high country. *A million* snowmobilers are out there pretending to have fun. We have indications of strong non-resident snowmobile sticker sales in Logan, UT, as well as Preston, ID.
- One construction project was the new 40 x 80 foot structure built in Paris Canyon to house both snowcats. Park staff was doing most of the work. Park staff completed the vertical construction of three walls and the steel roof in October, and a contractor installed the two large roll-up entrance doors on December 1. This allowed work to continue on the inside where it's protected from the elements. Staff efforts turned to wiring, insulation, etc. Concrete work on the floor began in October, but it's uncertain whether or not the concrete floor will be completed this winter. However, the gravel should suffice and allow the cats to be stored inside as needed throughout the winter. The interior work remains to be done. Most of this will be attended to during the winter months now that the building is enclosed. In December the additional electrical wiring and lighting was completed. Gravel was spread, rebar tied, floor tubing installed, and additional preparations made to pour concrete by the first part of January. The floor will be heated so accumulated snow on the snowcats will melt down during the night.
- Park staff worked to re-track the big snowcat. Over 1,800 bolts had to be removed and replaced when the belts were changed. Both snowcats were completely serviced by the end of November, with tracks reinstalled and minor repairs completed. The large cat was moved to the Paris Canyon Trailhead. November saw an additional two feet of snow in the high country. Both snowcats started grooming the week before Christmas. The conditions were marginal at first, but there's good snowmobiling in the higher elevations.

- Most of the materials—those not belonging to state parks—in the Brent Christensen Quonset at East Beach were removed in October. What remains has been inventoried. The purchase of this facility by IDPR was completed in November.
- Boats were brought to the waterways storage facility at Paris in November. Additional storage space was made available in the newly acquired East Beach Quonset for winter storage. It seems like we have been preparing for winter for *forever*.
- The semi-annual meeting of the Tri-County Committee was held in November. At this point there is no major controversy with this group. They continue to support the efforts of Bear Lake State Park staff managing the county grooming program.
- Preliminary arrangements for the May 2007 Park Board meeting at the Oregon Trail Center have been made.

### **CITY OF ROCKS NATIONAL RESERVE AND CASTLE ROCKS STATE PARK – WALLACE KECH, PARK MANAGER**

#### Customer Service

- Visitor Center attendance for October was 605, and 247 of those visitors watched the orientation video, November was 54, but very few visitors were encountered in December. Offices closed on weekends beginning in November. Visitor Services program worked diligently to produce a new CIRO Trails map for resale, as well as revising and publishing the wildlife checklist. A number of new T-shirt designs were developed and should offer a fresh look for the 2007 season. Keck met with representative of Senator Crapo's office on November 16 to discuss Climbing Management issues.
- Juanita Jones continued through October to work on testing issues of reservation system. October's resale revenue was \$2,179. We received a few complaints when we turned water system off for the winter in late October. CIRO provided a VIP tour for incoming District 27 Representative Fred Wood.

#### Preservation of Natural and Cultural Resources

- In October, Jodi Vincent and the NPS Contractor conducted scoping interviews with permittees regarding CIRO grazing allotments and the revised grazing management plan. One incident occurred in October—the theft of eight new Castle Rocks trail signs, but in November Ranger Shilling followed up on Incident Report 23, and recovered stolen trail signs in Jerome. We have received the materials purchased for archiving records (winter project).
- CIRO seems to be experiencing some poaching of pinion pine for Christmas trees. A number of vehicles were spotted with trees, one visitor was cautioned about cutting in the Reserve, and several warning signs were posted. Staff monitored the Christmas tree cutting activity to protect against further poaching in the park and monitored hunters to ensure compliance to seasons and limits. Neither grazing nor noxious weed management activities occurred in December.

#### Utilization of facilities

- We experienced busy weekends in October with day-use, and had good occupancy in campgrounds. CRSP trails are nearly complete. The employee residence was painted, and the shop parking area was paved.

- There were a number of hunters utilizing both parks this year—no incidents except for trespass campers at the Emery Canyon entrance. Hunting in both the Reserve and CRSP is on the increase this year, with heavier-than-expected use on weekends. November had limited camping activity. The 2007 Special Event Planning during December included preparations for snowshoeing events. CIRO will partner with local businesses in January and February to package food, lodging, hot springs and guided snowshoeing.

#### Park Managers Report

- Smoky Mountain Campground – In October CIRO crew placed conduit for future telephones and the WiFi system in an open electrical trench and bedded both pipes. Construction meetings were held October 4, October 18, November 1, November 15, and December 6. Landscape work was completed on December 7, seeding on December 11. All parties worked through plumbing issue with Santa Fe Building. This required tunneling under structures to install drains. Weather delays will push some elements of construction—such as systems test and final seeding—until March.
- Underground Power Line Project – CIRO developed scoping documents and drafted a contract with REA to finalize the project of placing 1.4 miles of power lines from Clint Lloyd to Nicholson Ranch (East CIRO) to the underground roadway in October. The contract was finalized and signed by IDPR on November 28. Project was scheduled to start on December 11, but was delayed until December 19. Cable was buried, and old lines and poles will be removed in January.
- Staffing – Juanita Jones and Randy Farley received department recognition at annual conference. Randy Farley received position upgrade to Maintenance Foreman. CIRO hired Rochelle Tracy for visitor services and administration for winter season. Jodi Vincent, our Natural Resource Ranger, promoted to Harriman.
- The Natural Resource Ranger position was then advertised in-house on December 4, and for open competition on December 19. Closing date was December 30, and interviews are tentatively set for February 1 and 2. The NPS has requested a seat at the interview table, and I have invited Mike Wissenbach to serve. All staff attended ERO Performance Evaluation Training except Keck, who reviewed the material on-line as well as from the workshop materials. We worked with IDPR Development Bureau to prioritize housing needs.
- Partnerships – CIRO transferred Allis Chalmer's grader to Cassia County in October. Keck met with county commissioners to recruit a representative to the planning team for the revision of the CIRO Comprehensive Management Plan, and worked with NPS to establish the planning process and schedule. The NPS Planning Team has scheduled an initial scoping meeting in January in Boise.
- Castle Rocks Bunkhouse Project – Consultation with the contractor continues. Comments were made and documents reviewed. We participated in a conference call with IDPR leadership on November 21. Staff continued to consult with the contractor, made comments, and reviewed documents in December. All parties are working toward a final scope of project within budget. The biggest decision was how many buildings (one, two, or three) should be constructed to accomplish the scope within budget on the proper landscape.

- Key tracking issues for October included revisions to the climbing management plan, NPS Region Leadership Council meeting in Channel Islands National Park (October 9-13), IDPR board meeting in Boise (October 23-26), and NPS Superintendent Meeting in Seattle (October 30-November 3). Venna Ward completed the annual NPS's GPRA report (Performance Management Database System report). November included Smoky Mountain Campground construction, Minidoka Building was moved to the NPS Internment Camp on November 17, hired Boldt Appraisals for shop building appraisal on November 14. Keck met with NPS archeologist on November 10 to review upcoming projects. Annual Report writing dominated unscheduled work time. In addition to the continuation of previously mentioned issues, December included 2007 strategic plan writing, NPS-IDPR Partnership Review, NPS Budget and Project submissions, and staff leave time.

## **HARRIMAN STATE PARK AND HENRYS LAKE STATE PARK – KEITH HOBBS, PARK MANAGER**

### Customer Service

- Park staff conducted the required testing of the Reservation System and reported its results. It was a beautiful October, although somewhat wet; visitation was good, especially at Henrys Lake. November is always a quiet time of year at Harriman. Visitors are eager for the snow season to get underway. To date, we have over three feet of snow. Park staff are now in the perpetual mode of plowing roads, packing snow, and grooming trails. Harriman started charging the grooming fee on December 24. We are busy . . . and it's a wonderful life.

### Preservation of Natural Resources

- Grazers on the Home Ranch portion of the park arrived early October and departed by the first of November. Forage was very good this year and grazers noted no unusual problems. A meeting was held with the Henrys Fork Foundation and Forest Service representatives to discuss replacement of the aging electric fence. It has caused considerable headaches in the last few years for all involved parties. It was agreed that each agency would explore funding options available for replacement of the fence—cost estimate would probably total \$40,000. Approximately two-thirds of the fence is on Harriman land and the remainder is on Forest Service land.
- In late July, a failure of a canal that feeds water to East Harriman occurred due to an accumulation of sediment and vegetation. Keith worked with the Henrys Fork Foundation, and hired a contractor to dredge 1.5 miles of canal. Before the work started they slowly dewatered the canal for fish salvage.
- In November we completed the following work to close out the grants used to enhance natural resources:
- The funding we received from Caribou-Targhee National Forest Resource Advisory Committee was used to fence Harriman spring source. We completed the project and submitted final report to granting agency. Grant amount was \$1,932.
- The funding from the Yellowstone Soil Conservation District was used to purchase fence supplies. We contracted with the St Anthony Work Camp for installation of fence on Harriman East. Installation will continue in 2007 but grant funding was depleted. Grant amount, \$4,263.87.

- The funding was received from the Caribou-Targhee National Forest in the form of a Challenge Cost Share Agreement. Funding was used to employ a technician to combat noxious weeds and to print 2007 Greater Yellowstone Weed Management Area noxious weed calendar for public distribution. The last of the invoices were submitted for reimbursement. Grant amount, \$6,000.

#### Utilization of facilities

- The October Haunts of Harriman event was the largest held to date. Cooperative weather and an excellent volunteer turnout attracted 550 people to the three-hour event. No problems were encountered other than long lines at the various activities. This year's theme of "All Things Outer Space" was well received. Next year—assuming we host a like number of attendees or more—park staff will be forced to seek additional staffing assistance and equipment to accommodate the participants.
- Facility use was very quiet, as is usual for November. Rental use was quiet as well, until the holiday bookings at the end of December. We are looking forward to an active winter season.
- Significant upgrades to the park's residences were made and will be ongoing. This included new carpet in two buildings, new garage doors, increased insulation in three buildings, and window replacement throughout. Park staff worked with several contractors in developing bids for enhancements to the park's employee residences.

#### Park Managers Report

- We received news that two permanent staff members would leave in November to accept promotions within the agency. Kudos are extended to Theresa Perry and Kim Jackson for their well-deserved promotions. The number of the park's remaining seasonal staff dwindled as personnel took time off for a break before returning for the winter season to assist the park with the winter operations.
- Park staff worked with IDPR Human Resource and East Region Service Center to begin the process of filling the vacant positions. In November, Jodi Vincent, formerly of the City of Rocks National Reserve, was promoted to the position of Assistant Manager at Harriman. Staff was very eager to begin working with Jodi who has been working very well with staff and park partners. The applications for the ranger position at Harriman were scored and interviews for this position have been scheduled the first week of 2007.
- Bad water tests in October have been followed with good water tests in November. The park is back on a normal schedule of testing once again.
- A number of winter preparation tasks were performed in November, including snowmobile service, rental facility cleaning, snow pole installation, trail clearing, and grooming equipment service. Work continued in December on park equipment to be utilized during the winter. Park staff worked on purchasing a new snowmobile for use in the grooming program.
- Park staff attended the IDPR Annual Conference in Boise the first week in November. End of season meetings have been held with most of the park's grazers, and fees have been collected. Revenue collected will likely be down slightly due to one grazer having to shorten his stay due to water delivery problems. That problem has since been remedied.



- Soil testing was performed in October in anticipation of new park developments. Significant progress was made in December in finalizing the scope of the project for the new developments at Harriman, resulting from the Experience Idaho Initiative. Comments from the park level were submitted to upper management and Trout Architects.

#### Henry's Lake

- The campground was closed for the most of October as an upgrade to the electrical service was started. Considerable problems with shallow waterlines were encountered and six water line breaks occurred when trenching for the new electrical lines began. Park staff worked with the contractor to make repairs and re-charge the system to insure the repairs held. All work was completed and the trenches were covered. Despite having no camping available, day use was strong the first half of October and boasted better than average fishing. By the end of October, the park was completely winterized and closed for the season.

#### Mesa Falls Recreation Area

- The Mesa Falls' Big Falls Inn officially closed for the summer season on October 8. The facility was winterized and prepared for use as a warming facility beginning in the first weekend of January.

### **LAKE WALCOTT STATE PARK – TRAPPER RICHARDSON, PARK MANAGER**

#### Customer Service

- Park staff worked with Tammy Kolsky and CAMIS on several reservation tests. We did receive a nice letter sent by some campers this summer. Trapper met with two gentlemen with complaints on yearly lake closures, explaining that Lake Walcott State Park monitors the park proper and does not control nor enforce the closure of the lake itself. The US Fish and Wildlife Service manage the lake's closures. In November customers started calling to find out when they could make reservations at the park, both in camping and in shelters, and to ask questions regarding the new pricing they have noticed on the Internet. December was really quiet, but a few people are looking to purchase annual passes as Christmas gifts.

#### Preservation of Natural Resources

- We discussed plans with Steve Bouffard of the Minidoka National Wildlife Refuge for planting wildlife-friendly native plants for the spring, and talked about pest control on some of the trees in the park. Park staff prepared for winter by trimming trees, fixing a damaged spot in one of the walls, and working on the rodent eradication program throughout the park. Weed spraying continues into November in the 'boneyard' to control weeds that tend to grow there. Then noxious weed eradication took a back seat in December due to training for Trapper and Travis with the ATV program. At least one of the ATVs will be used with the weed program, hauling the spray rig when it again becomes feasible to work the weeds.
- It has been interesting to watch our little herd of deer moving through the park from time to time, grazing as they go. The very cold weather the last week or so of December, has formed a good ice base for the ice fishing enthusiasts.

#### Utilization of facilities

- The park saw a few hardcore disc golfers who wandered in from time to time during October. Several Scout groups and a church group stayed in the Scout area during October, and a trickle

of weekend, day use, and RV camping customers were present. We have switched over to our winter camping rates, and maintain one heated restroom. All was relatively quiet for November. There were quite a few day-use customers and some campers, but it's definitely winter at the park—even though the snow hadn't really arrived full-force.

#### Park Manager's Report

- Trapper and Travis winterizing all park facilities in October; fixed the broken potable water valves at the cabins, and are continuing to work on the playground project. Cindy painted all the restroom interiors; finished water sealing all benches, docks and platforms (15 gallons worth); and applied polyurethane to the outside of the cabins.
- Trapper and Travis attended the Bi-Annual Conference in Boise November 7-8 and the B.E.S.T. training (boating safety) in Blackfoot on November 28-29. Both Trapper and Travis were able to attend the December ATV training in Idaho Falls. This training will be very helpful, not only in the weed spraying issues, but also in training seasonal workers and volunteers who may be required to use ATVs in the course of a day's work. It will also provide the staff with more experience on ATVs so we are better prepared to handle questions and situations posed by customers of the park. Trapper and Travis also attended the December East Region Managers' meeting and Performance Management training in Idaho Falls.
- Trapper worked with IDPR Planning Supervisor Kelly Burrows on the ADA grant projects and met in Boise with the architects on November 9. Trapper met with Kelly Burrows and the architect contractors who are doing a walking survey of the ADA needs for an upcoming BOR grant; met with the Minidoka Waterways committee and learned that some of the signs presently in the park may be removed because they may no longer be valid; and met with Ramsey Electric regarding the heater repair in the garage to allow staff to work in and utilize that building all year round.
- Travis attended and passed Larry Mink's Certified Interpretive Guide course held at Harriman State Park from October 9-13. He attended a grants workshop in Twin Falls on November 15, worked with Tammy on the reservation system updates, ordered park signs from Kathleen at Land of Yankee Fork.
- In November, Karen returned to the office after two months at her 'other' job and worked on finishing the initial yearly records retention disposal process by December 8—that's eleven inches of unnecessary paperwork now GONE—purged from the file cabinets. Files have been dated and records in the files also dated, in preparation for future purging. Plans are to try to go through old records in storage to see what can be disposed of there as well.

#### **LAND OF THE YANKEE FORK HISTORIC AREA – DAN SMITH, PARK MANAGER**

##### Customer Service

- We're gearing down for winter. In October we returned to winter hours (closed on weekends unless by special arrangement) because of the low number of visitors. By doing this we hope to save substantially on our heat and electrical expenditures. LYF ran their annual 20% off sale for the holidays and attracted quite a few shoppers. Revenue should be good for December. A large number of snowmobile and OHV stickers were sold in December.

- In November Kathleen sent out the sign request forms for this year's Sign Shop project. We are requiring a sign requisition form to be completed by park staff for the first time. We appreciate a call if there are questions, but the call should not be the only thing we receive. She attended InDesign training in December to maintain quality sign design and enhance her skills. InDesign is the new page layout program for the sign shop and interpretive layout. We have purchased In Design using a combination of Donation Account and Sign account monies.

#### Preservation of Natural Resources

- Chuck and Kathleen, along with 20 students from the Environmental Education Class at Challis High, seeded the Corner Project with native grasses. They learned how to broadcast seed, prepare seed beds, and rake in the seed. This same group helped put in over 100 shrubs and trees earlier this fall.

#### Utilization of facilities

- We need to look at additional Volunteer RV sites here at Yankee Fork. Last year's experience proved that we get phenomenal help by providing camping sites here. I would like to see three more RV sites built at the cul-de-sac near the Manager's residence with electrical, sewer, water, and phone. Custer Trail Riders are still using the Center for their monthly meetings on the Second Tuesday of the month.

#### Park Managers Report

- Kathleen worked hard on the New Harmonies Exhibit for this coming summer. She's very proactive and deserves a lot of credit. She met with the Challis Area Chamber, local Art Council workers, and the School District. This is a *Big Deal* as it is the first Smithsonian Exhibit that LYF has been able to exhibit. The Exhibit emphasizes cultural diversity through music. It's a little different for LYF but well within our mandate. We will need some help in re-arranging our exhibit hall for this 6-week exhibit in August and September 2007.
- We hired a part-time Seasonal to help enter data into the PastPerfect Database. Valerie Brown is mastering the subtleties of PastPerfect and doing fine. Patty VanDuesen will be coming onboard in January to help Valerie input this data and complete the cataloging of our collection.
- We attended Travel Planning Meetings for both BLM and Forest Service. Jeff Cook presented the official IDPR comments with Dan putting in his opinions at the meetings. Jeff, Troy Elmore and Dan coordinated this effort for IDPR.
- In November and December, despite cold weather, Chuck Felton worked on a variety of maintenance projects including restroom maintenance, storage cabinets, etc. Dan continues to work with Garth and Ron Howerton to look into additional well capacity at LYF. Bollards were ordered for traffic control at Bayhorse. They arrived and are ready for installation in the spring. Signs around the town site have held up remarkably well. No bullet holes, no evidence of trespass.
- We worked on an extension of our Challenge Cost Share Grant with BLM for Interpreting the Bison Jump. BLM archeologist Carol Hearne has been holding us up some on her review. We requested an extension until June 30, 2007. We spent some money on this project and are billing BLM for those costs.

- Dan attended meetings relating to the Sawtooth National Recreation Area Sawtooth Society 20/20 Vision meetings on the November 4, 15, and 16. We completed the process and will stay tuned for more. For information on the planning process go to the Sawtooth Society Web Site at: [www.sawtoothsociety.org/snra](http://www.sawtoothsociety.org/snra). A big concern is how management of the SNRA will affect the LYF management. Dan gave a tour of Bayhorse to representatives of the Sawtooth Society showing them our vision for the Bayhorse area. They were very impressed and supportive.

#### Bayhorse:

- Dan, Kelly Burrows and Dave Ricks met with Terragraphics on the Bayhorse Brownfield effort. Costs will exceed our grant, and we needed to prioritize the process. Top priority is the large tailing pile (sand pile) below the mill site that, if left unmitigated, will continue to blow around and re-contaminate the town site. Second Priority is the Slag pile and parking that will be used as a repository for our extra contaminated soils on Main Street. Developing bridges with this money is not deemed financially feasible. Contractors will be responsible for bringing in their own temp bridges during clean up. Bayhorse Brownfield is progressing and we are on line to begin remediation this spring if SHPO concurs. We have the grant applications for our second round of Brownfield grants out for public review. These grants are intended to address the contamination issues at the upper mine sites of Pacific, Beardsley-Excelsior.

### **MASSACRE ROCKS STATE PARK – KEVIN LYNOTT, PARK MANAGER**

#### Customer Service

- The only complaint/customer comment that we received was a concern that we were overcharging for a campsite due to the fact that we only had centralized water during the winter. I can see their side of things; but until the new camping fees come into effect, we do not have the option to only charge for the electrical hook-up. Otherwise, only good, happy campers and cabin users were here during October. Although we had some customers in November, the use dropped off significantly. Only positive comments were received and there were no crowds to speak of. The cabins were being used regularly and folks seemed to enjoy the slower pace of the off-season—enough to come out and visit the park...as long as the heaters keep working. There were very few customers in December, but those who braved the winter season enjoyed their visit.

#### Preservation of Natural Resources

- Work continues on the burn-site rehabilitation project. The grant to purchase grass seed from US NRCS fell through, but funding was provided through Garth and the East Region's budget. Park staff planted the native grass seed mix, managing to reseed approximately 42 acres of the 71 acres of burned range site. After planting, we had some precipitation with some snow, which helps the new seeds prepare for germination this coming spring...hopefully good things will happen when the ground warms up in March. With the cold weather arriving in December, we curtailed our active resource management work.
- We will continue our work on the Holistic Range Management Plan in January meeting with administration. Hopefully, we will be able to set up an open house for local residents in order to introduce our plan to them for their comments and understanding of what we wish to accomplish in the spring.

#### Utilization of facilities

- The park partnered up with the local high school Cross-Country team in American Falls and put on a fun run. The attendance was less than desired, but the overall results were positive. We plan to hold this event again next year; hopefully more folks will participate in events of this type.
- The campsite water was turned off on October 15 and we were fully into off-season operations. Folks still camped and used the cabins in the park during October. We will bring on a seasonal employee in November to help with projects and routine maintenance duties. Park staff has been preparing for the annual New Year's Bonfire scheduled for January 6.

#### Park Managers Report

- Some very good things were accomplished in October: we used a GPS unit to identify what could and could not be planted in the burn rehab site and worked up a very nice wildland grass seed mix to plant—once we were able to get the drill into the seeding area, that is.
- Dan and Kevin helped decorate Harriman State Park for the Haunts of Harriman, prepared meals, transported trick-or-treaters into the park on a tractor-pulled wagon, and generally helped out with this special event on October 27. The Haunts of Harriman was very well organized and fun for the workers as well as the participants. Other than those activities, we completed normal chores and duties in the park.
- Kevin served on the interview board for the Park Manager at 1000 Springs Complex in late November. Much time was devoted to winterizing equipment and storing non-winter materials away for the cold months.
- While snow is on the ground, we plan to do some Visitor Center display improvements during January, February, and March 2007. We completed a much-needed facelift of the main office in December. We will move our renovations to the remaining two rooms of the Visitor Center in order to improve storage capacity, appearance, and efficiency of the office space. We are planning a change in the display area in the Visitor Center in February and March, and will be working with the curator of the Museum of Science located on the ISU Campus. Overall it was a good year with lots of new and exciting things taking place.

## **Issues for TAG – East Region Parks**

### **Bear Lake State Park**

- There continues to be concerns of increased rental rate at the Oregon Trail Center office in Montpelier. The current three-year contract (which began in April, 2006 for \$3,000 per a year) has not been signed by Oregon Trail Center folks. They wish to discuss the future rental arrangements in their next board meeting. The manager will meet with them at this time.
- The rental shop facility in Paris is also undergoing some rental modifications. Park staff has also been able to utilize the adjacent “Feed Store” for storage of park supplies. This storage was never part of the original rental agreement but has been an added value to the current rental agreement of the adjacent shop. The landlord is now requesting that we remove all of our materials and supplies by April 15. In addition, we do not have restroom facilities at this site. He is also requesting additional parking and room for a picnic shelter. These changes make it increasingly difficult to run essential maintenance from this facility. This lessens the value of our current lease. It will be great to have our own facility at the St. Charles administrative site some day.

### **City of Rocks**

- Need Department Housing Policy updated.

### **Land of the Yankee Fork Historic Area**

- We really need additional operations money. Even with plenty of fiscal restraint we are going to be very short-handed this spring. Lack of operating and maintenance dollars is resulting in a reduction of public services.
- Last year’s experiment utilizing additional Volunteers paid off with over \$15,000 worth of projects being accomplished with an expense of about \$2,500.
- LYF received a request from the Mosquito Flats Water Users to support their efforts to obtain a grant to reline the outlet pipe at Mosquito Flats. I think we should support this improvement. As an aside, the Water Users have expressed an interest in IDPR running the campground up there. I don’t think the FS would be interested in this at this time, but with shrinking federal budgets...who knows?

**OCTOBER 2006 -- meetings/events to be held**

<u>PARK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MEETING OR EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
CIRO	10-03		NPS Southern Idaho Parks Team Meeting (CRMO)	Arco
IDPR	10-06		First Monday Reports Due to ERO	
MRSP	10-07	10:00	Massacre Harvest Run	Massacre Rocks
CIRO	10-09/13		Regional Leadership Council Meeting	Channel Islands, CA
LWSP	10-09/13		Certified Interpretive Guide, Travis Taylor	Harriman
LAN	10-10	19:00	Custer Trail Riders Meeting	Yankee theatre
LAN	10-11	09:00	BLM Buffalo Jump Meeting	Yankee
MRSP	10-21	10:00	Harvest 4-Miler Fun Run / Walk	American Falls
IDPR	10-23/26		Idaho Parks Board Fall Meeting	Eagle
HSP	10-28	18:00	Haunts of Harriman Trick or Treat event	Harriman
CIRO	10-30/11-02		NPS Superintendent Zone Meeting, Wallace Keck	Seattle, WA

**NOVEMBER 2006 --meetings/events to be held**

<u>PARK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MEETING OR EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
LAN	11-04	Day	Sawtooth Society 20/20 Public Meeting	Ketchum
IDPR	11-06		First Monday Reports Due to ERO	
IDPR	11-06/09	Days	IDPR Annual Conference	Boise
LAN	11-09	11:00	Bayhorse Meeting	Boise
IDPR	11-10		Veteran's Day Holiday	
ERO	11-14	09:00	Grants Workshop	Idaho Falls
LAN	11-14	Day	Move Stuff Back to Custer w/FS	Challis
ERO	11-15	17:00	Public meeting—Proposed OHV legislation	Idaho Falls
CRSP	11-15		SMC Construction Meeting	CRSP
WAL	11-15		Grant Writing Workshop (Travis Taylor)	Twin Falls
LAN	11-15	day	Sawtooth Society 20/20 Final Meeting	Stanley
LAN	11-16	11:00	Salmon River Scenic Byway Meeting	Challis
CIRO	11-16	13:00	Senator Crapo's office (Climbing issues)	CIRO
HAR	11-20	A.M.	Harriman Manager I Interviews	Idaho Falls
IDPR	11-23		Thanksgiving Day Holiday	
BLSP	11-26	Day	Tri-County snowmobile meeting	Montpelier
IDPR	11-28/29	Days	Boating Safety Workshop	Blackfoot
IDPR	11-29	19:00	Experience Idaho Park Site Open House	Idaho Falls
HAR	11-29/30	All Day	Certified Professional Mgmt Training (Keith Hobbs)	Boise
IDPR	11-30	19:00	Experience Idaho Park Site Open House	Blackfoot

**DECEMBER 2006 --meetings/events to be held**

<u>PARK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MEETING OR EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
IDPR	12-04		First Monday Reports Due to ERO	
CIRO	12-07	13:00	NPS-IDPR Partnership Review	CRSP
CRSP	12-07	15:00	Bunkhouse Design Conference Call	CRSP
HAR	12-09	10:00	Joint training, Harriman staff and Nordic Ski Patrol	Harriman
BLSP	12-12	Day	ID/UT Snow Machine meeting (Garth/Troy/Kirk)	Garden City, UT
ERO	12-13	09:00>	East Region Manager's Meeting	Idaho Falls
– All Classified Staff Will Attend for Work Plan Evaluation Training –				

IDPR	12-14		TAG meeting	Boise
IDPR	12-19	Day	Ashton Trail meeting w/ITD (Garth/Kelly)	Ashton
IDPR	12-25		Christmas Day Holiday	

JANUARY 2007 –meetings/events to be held

<u>PARK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MEETING OR EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
IDPR	01-01		New Year's Day - Holiday	
IDPR	01-02		First Monday Reports Due to ERO	
HAR	01-04	All Day	Harriman Ranger Interviews	ERO
HAR	01-05	11:00	Snowmobile Tour (Rec. Bur.) at Mesa Falls	Big Falls Inn
IDPR	01-06		Free Ski Day	Harriman
MAS	01-06	17:00	Annual Bonfire Event	Massacre Rocks
LYF	01-07	19:00	Chamber Board Meeting	Challis
ERO	01-08	09:00	Workplace Safety Team meeting	Boise
HAR	01-10	18:00	Island Park Community After Hours	Island Park
			Harriman development discussion w/community	
CIRO	01-10	19:00	Presentation to Audubon Society	Twin Falls
IDPR	01-15		Martin Luther King Holiday	
CIRO	01-16/19	Days	CIRO General Management Plan	Boise
CIRO	01-22/26	Days	NPS Region Leadership Council	Oakland, CA
IDPR	01-23/25	Days	Park Board meeting	Boise
CIRO	01-30	19:00	City of Rocks Byway Meeting	Burley

FUTURE: FEBRUARY 2007 –meetings/events to be held

<u>PARK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MEETING OR EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
CIRO	02-01/02	All day	CIRO's Natural Resource Ranger Interviews	Almo
IDPR	02-05		First Monday Reports Due to ERO	
IDPR	02-19		Presidents' Day Holiday	
IDPR	02-26 / 03-07	Days		Law Enforcement
Compliance Training		Boise		
CIRO	02-26/03-01		IRAC Meeting (NPS)	Oakland, CA



## **RECREATION RESOURCES BUREAU REPORT**

October – November - December 2006

### **RECREATION RESOURCES BUREAU CHIEF - STEVE FROST**

- Met several times with a workgroup headed by Representatives Wood and Kemp to discuss a proposal that would change where OHV's can legally ride. The proposal allows OHV's to operate on all gravel/dirt roads with a valid OHV sticker. Highway license plates would no longer be issued to OHV's so they would not be allowed on pavement. Local jurisdictions would retain the ability to allow OHV access (specific routes) on pavement via ordinance. Conducted public meetings in Boise, Idaho Falls, Lewiston and Coeur d'Alene. Rep. Wood (Rep. Kemp was not reelected) will be deciding what to do, if anything, after receiving a poor reception from the public.
- Working with Rep. Wendy Jaquet on a project in Blaine County to educate snowmobilers in the Croy Canyon area on responsible use. Rich Gummersall developed a new map and educational brochure for the area that depicts private property and highlights our Code of Ethics. Working with the sheriff and the local snowmobile clubs to avoid the private property trespass issues that happened last year.
- Attended and presented information at the Idaho State Snowmobile Association (ISSA) meeting in November. ISSA is considering raising snowmobile registration fees this session to off set the rising costs associated with the grooming. We will be working closely with them should they decide to proceed with a bill.
- Working with Morris Huffman to discuss how RC&D's can work cooperatively with the IDPR on projects that will connect communities and trails. Presented the idea to the State RC&D meeting in Twin Falls on Oct 11, 2006.
- Worked with Dave Dahms to fill the vacant Boating Education Position. Kim Jackson, former Ranger at Henry's Lake State Park, was selected. Kim has been in the position since October 23<sup>rd</sup> and she has hit the ground running!
- Accompanied Dave Dahms at the Bonner Co. and Kootenai Co. Waterways Committees to answer some long standing questions and issues relating to the Boating Program. We had several productive meetings and have made some significant strides in rebuilding our relationship. Several issues remain that we are following up on. Thanks to Steve Klatt for joining us at the Bonner Co. meeting.
- Received a boating facility and equipment needs list from our Region Managers. We are developing a plan to prioritize Department needs and coordinate park and program resources to bring our parks up to an acceptable standard.
- Developing the new UTV program and working with the IDPR registration section to implement the sticker requirement for next year. He is coordinating with ITD, the enforcement community, registration vendors, and dealers.
- Attended numerous internal meetings including the Rec. Bureau staff meeting, IDPR's Annual Conference and the October Board meeting.

### **MOTORIZED TRAILS, OHV PROGRAM MANAGER - DAVE CLAYCOMB**

- Traveled to Moscow to speak at the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) annual conference. This conference served a valuable opportunity to discuss off-highway vehicles trends, and how IDL

could better position themselves to manage their use. Currently, IDL is the only “public” land manager that essentially allows unmanaged travel on their lands. Dave advised that as adjacent public and private properties become more managed in terms of travel planning, IDL will continue to have difficult issues to deal with as people that don’t want to recreate within a set of given rules are displaced to their lands. IDL is looking at various methods to offset the cost of managing increased recreational use.

- Traveled throughout the state along with Steve Frost and Tom Fry from the Idaho Transportation Department to discuss potential legislation that would affect licensing (Title 49) of ATVs, UTVs and motorbikes. The public meetings were held to gather input from the public. The workgroup steering this process recently met to revise the original draft legislation as a result of those public meetings, and a “final” version is expected shortly.
- Met with representatives from the Idaho State Snowmobile Association (ISSA) to discuss legislative changes to Title 67. There are several “housekeeping” issues that are being looked at, which would help the department better manage the program. Additionally, the ISSA is proposing a fee increase of ten dollars to the annual snowmobile registration. It has been several years since the last registration fee increase, and the increase would help address the soaring cost of fuel in particular, as well as other operational expenses the counties have incurred.
- Met with county commissioners in Boise and Valley Counties to discuss their respective grooming programs. Both of these programs have had significant personnel turnover from last winter from the commissioners on down to the groomer operators, and the meeting was help to help them get started on the right foot.
- Completed approximately half of the Certified Public Managers course to date, and is expected to graduate early next year. The program provides good supervisory skills and some invaluable information on how to operate within state government.
- Dave and his wife had a little girl join their family on November 1<sup>st</sup>. As a result, Dave has taken some personal time to help get the family settled.

### **OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE EDUCATION – RICH GUMMERSALL**

- Prepared the Instructor materials for IDPR staff and statewide volunteer instructors to present IDPR’s Avalanche Awareness Program.
- Worked with Jenn Wernex to get news media to each of the regions to cover the Avalanche Awareness programs.
- Finalized the Off-Highway Motorcycle range cards and lesson format. Range cards are scheduled to go to print at the beginning of February.
- Working with Kalkomey Enterprises who recently purchased the printing section of Outdoor Empire Publishing to set-up IDPR’s existing ATV Student Reference Guide and continue with the development of the Off-Highway Motorcycle Student Reference Guide.
- Obtained Utah’s training tracking database for Off-Highway Vehicle education working with Rick Grossaint. The database is in IDPR’s possession but has not been installed and put into a working test phase. Rich feels this database will also benefit our public boating program as a training-tracking tool.
- Created a public information brochure for Blaine County designed to educate snowmobilers about respecting the private property in the area.

- Attended the Motorcycle Safety Foundations DirtBike Coach school to establish a working partnership with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation and to further the recognition of IDPR's upcoming Off-highway motorcycle training.
- Conducted an inventory of the education literature to update phone numbers and information that has recently changed.
- Submitted web information on IDPR off-highway vehicle education opportunities to Jenn Wernex for publication.
- Created a public information index card for UTV owners designed to educate those users about where their legal recreation opportunity exists and how to locate those opportunities and equipment requirements.
- Conducted ATV Train-the-Trainer for East Region and North Region Staff.
- Working with Dave Claycomb on the refreshing the public brochures distributed by Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation concerning motorized recreation in Idaho.
- Working with counties throughout the state to identify training sites for the Off-Highway Vehicle Education Program. Current counties that have expressed interest are ADA, Bannock, Valley and Payette.
- Working with our own state parks to identify training sites. Those parks that have identified themselves as potential sites are Eagle Island, Hells Gate, Priest Lake, Three Island, Lake Cascade, Lucky Peak, Thousand Springs, Land of the Yankee Fork, Harriman and Bruneau at the Mt. Home OHV Park. Hells Gate has established its sites and has begun to host classes with Judy Feider conducting the classes. Eagle Island has also identified a training site that is in use by a volunteer IDPR instructor.
- Working with the development bureau in the creation of an OHV training site to be located east of the headquarters building. Initial plans have been drafted and the site location has been identified. Andrew Conkey has created a draft of the concept plans and is currently working on the necessary steps to bring those plans to completion.
- Continues as a member of the work place safety committee.

### **NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS - LEO HENNESSY**

- Working with winter user groups and Frank Achana to develop a statewide survey to determine what users want at our state parks and Park N' Ski areas in the winter.
- Working with the Nordic Voice Ski club and the IdahoOutdoors group to provide Nordic ski and snowshoe lessons during the January 6th Free Ski Day at the Idaho City area. At this time over 100 people have pre-registered for the snowshoe clinic.
- Developed and sent the statewide Park N' Ski budget to the local Park N' Ski area coordinators.
- The Department and Idaho Public TV has plans in January to shot an Outdoor Idaho TV show at the Idaho City Park N' Ski area. Leo will be coordinating the project and volunteers actors.
- Worked with a few volunteers to remove a feral cat from the Banner Ridge yurt. The cat somehow was locked in the yurt for a week after a big snowstorm and sub-zero temperatures. The group found the cat alive, cleaned up the mess it had left and transported the cat by snow sled 2 miles to the vehicle. The cat has been adopted but is still not very friendly to humans.

- The new Idaho City Park N' Ski brochure has been completed and distributed.
- Leo will be traveling to the Priest Lake area this winter to evaluate a new USFS Park N' Ski.
- Continues to work with the Valley County Pathways committee to develop a non-motorized bike trail system to connect Cascade, McCall and neighboring communities. Leo also met last month with the Tamarack resort to develop a Nordic trail system between the resort and the Osprey yurt complex. It should be possible and funding would come from Tamarack.
- Traveled to the Stanley Valley with volunteers to sign the Idaho Centennial trail. The trail has now been signed from the Nevada border to within 6 miles of the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. Late season fires did not allow completion of this project in the Stanley Valley
- Working with the USFS on sections of the Idaho Centennial trail that have access issues and poor maintenance.
- Hosted the annual Idaho Trail Council membership meeting last month in Boise. Over 40 people attended. Dinner and beverages was provided along with a unique 3-D slide program called "Idaho In-depth"
- Spoke to 300 people in October at the National Parks and Recreation conference in Seattle on "Backcountry yurts"

### **SOUTH REGION ORPS - TODD WERNEX**

- Worked with the Emmett Ranger District to layout one mile of sustainable new trail for the Silver Creek trail in the Boise National Forest. The trail is currently closed due to excessive erosion, which has created unsafe trail conditions. The District is applying for a grant to fund construction materials and will also be working with our trail cat program on the remaining construction.
- Attended the Idaho State Snowmobile Association convention, an ITD sponsored meeting on OHV license legislation and grant workshops held in Boise and Twin Falls.
- Met with Rene Iverson to review the Valley County snowmobile program audit.
- Scheduled a meeting between the Valley County snowmobilers, IDPR and ISSA to discuss the state of the Valley Co. Grooming program funding and grooming.
- Met with the Idaho City and Garden Valley grooming programs to discuss the grooming programs and challenges ahead.
- Attended the Elmore Co. groomer program meeting in Mountain Home to discuss the up coming grooming season.
- Reviewed a grant potential for a groomer bridge in Idaho City for ingress and egress to the city.
- Met with Big Wood Backcountry Trails club and the USFS to review and discuss grants and challenges the different recreational groups are faced with in Blaine Co. On the same trip Todd delivered a snowmobile to the Blaine Co. Sheriff to help with winter law enforcement and search and rescue.
- Attended the Sawtooth NF travel plan meeting in Twin Falls.

- Coordinated with Pisten Bully to receive a new groomer in McCall and inspect it to confirm the OSV was in compliance with the bid spec.
- Attended a monthly winter recreation coalition meeting and brought along a staff member from Senator Craig's office to introduce him to the challenges the winter recreationists are faced with in the McCall area.
- Continues to work with potential grant applicants on technical questions and provides input for a better grant.
- Working with Rich Gummersall to hold avalanche classes for snowmobilers in various locations. As a new approach this year scheduled two classes at dealerships. I selected the shops from a random drawing for one dealer in Canyon County and one from Ada County. The first class held at Carl's Cycle was a huge success with 100+ students, that is more than we have ever had in a class before!

### **EAST REGION ORPS - TROY ELMORE**

- Attended Lost River Economic Development Committee meeting in Arco. The City of Arco continues to move forward with the recreation trail and is preparing to produce a trail map.
- Accompanied Heather Westenzweig and Kevin Duncan (USFS /Palisades R.D.) to proposed grant project sites. Kevin outlined the projects the district will be submitting to the 2007 grant cycle.
- Attended IDPR annual conference in Boise, East Region manager's meeting in Idaho Falls, the Recreation Bureau staff meeting in Boise and the East Region grant workshop in Idaho Falls.
- Attended proposed OHV legislation open house in Idaho Falls.
- Presented OHV program information to the newly formed Eagle Rock ATV club in Idaho Falls. I discussed the Trail Ranger/Trail Cat programs, grant programs, funding sources and general "where to ride" information.
- Attended IDPR ATV safety & education, train the trainer seminar in Idaho Falls. Received certification to teach the IDPR ATV safety & education class.
- Met with Madison County Commissioners and Madison County Grooming Committee. Steve Frost presented an overview of the grooming program that was well received. The meeting was at the request of the Grooming Board, mainly to benefit the newly appointed commissioners.
- Attended the Madison County Groomer Board meeting in Rexburg with Steve Frost. Discussed warranty issues on the OSVs. The groomer shed is close to completion. Concrete floors will be poured in the spring, but shed will be used this season. Access issues involving housing development were also discussed.
- Drafted and issued a response regarding a groomed snowmobile access issue in Madison County.
- Attended a Utah/Idaho snowmobile grooming meeting in Bear Lake. Inspected the new Bear Lake snowmobile program groomer shed currently under construction. Potential riding closures on the Utah side (Logan Canyon), may significantly impact the Bear Lake (Idaho) grooming program.
- Met with Tom Jewell, mayor of Island Park to discuss proposed OHV highway crossings in Fremont County. Tom has identified 7 crossings and is scheduled to meet with ITD later this month to discuss his proposal.

- Accompanied Travis Tippit, Caribou Targhee National Forest Law Enforcement Officer to the Fremont County to do snowmobile compliance/education. We made approximately 75 contacts and Travis issued 1 citation.
- Put together OSV drag bids for the 4 recently purchased OSVs.
- Met with Al Bindrup of Petersen Equipment and Tamra Cikaitoga, Fremont County Grooming Coordinator, during the delivery of the new Pisten Bully Edge OSV to Fremont County.

### **NORTH REGION ORPS – MARTY GANGIS**

- Attend meeting with the Potlatch Corporation and the Forest Service in developing an area of their property know as the dredges. They would like to see the “dredges” developed into an ATV parking/restroom area that may be utilized as a jumping off point to the surrounding trails in the area.
- Attend departmental performance meeting in Lewiston.
- Meet with Kootenai County Groomer Board meeting here in Coeur d’Alene.
- Attend Sandpoint Groomer Board meeting in Sandpoint.
- Work with Tucker Corporation for the delivery of two groomer for North Idaho. One groomer being delivered to Priest Lake and one to Coeur d’Alene.
- Work with a couple of forest service districts concerning the application of grant requests.
- Work with Clearwater County Sheriff’s Office concerning grant request for ATV education and safety training.
- Attend North Region meeting in Coeur d’Alene.

### **BOATING PROGRAM**

#### **BOATING PROGRAM MANAGER – DAVE DAHMS**

- Along with Steve, and Jennifer Wernex (and a marine deputy for Elmore County) conducted interviews for the vacant boating educator position. Kim Jackson, park ranger at Henrys Lake State Park was selected.
- Many hours were spent putting together a power point presentation for Kootenai and Bonner county waterways meetings that were attended in October along with Steve and Kim. The boating program did an excellent job in providing detailed information that will hopefully improve the lines of communication between IDPR and Kootenai and Bonner counties.
- Worked with Steve and Jane Wright to respond to several public information requests from Kootenai County regarding boat registration data.
- Spent time discussing various marine law enforcement training sessions and options for marine deputies with Dale Flowers.

- Attended several meetings dealing with boating audits and boat registrations. Dave attended the October and December Ada County Waterways meeting with Dale and the December meeting of the Valley County Waterways meeting with Dale and Kim. Dave also attended the Bingham County Waterways meeting in November with Ed Lyon.
- Attended the Southeast Idaho Recreational Task Force meeting with Ed Lyon. Representative from IDFG and all southeast counties attended.
- In November, met with Luverne Grussing (Idaho County Waterways) to discuss marine law enforcement in the County.
- Attended the annual Marine Advisory Council (MAC) meeting in November along with all the boating program staff. Dale and Dave Crettol did an excellent job in organizing this annual event. Dave gave two presentations.
- Worked with county representatives on an informational postcard and press release as discussed at MAC. Finalized the November edition of the Gem State Boating News with help from all boating staff.
- Attended the Recreation Bureau Meeting and the IDPR Annual Conference.
- Completed performance management training.
- Assigned to the new "Marketing and Outreach Committee" sponsored by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA). A conference call was held in November.
- In January, planning to meet with Kootenai County and attend the Bonner and Boundary county waterways meetings. Dave and Kim (and Rich Gummersall) will meet with IDFG to inquire about implementing boat safety / ATV safety themes into hunting safety education. Dave will also work on compiling required U.S. Coast Guard reports.

### **LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COORDINATOR – DALE FLOWERS**

- The boating reporting database remains under construction. Working with select marine deputies to test the programs functionality. The database should be ready to go live in early January. This database will eliminate paper reports and be much more efficient. Dale has spent countless hours on this project and it will be an asset for the counties as well as the boating program. Vicki Heazle from MIS should be commended for her efforts in moving this project along.
- The "Boating Safety and Whitewater Etiquette" video has been completed and 10,000 copies have been ordered. The DVDs should arrive in early January for distribution to the public.
- Dale coordinated Annual Marine Advisory Committee (MAC) meeting held in Lewiston November 14-15.
- Highlights of MAC:
- Twenty-three counties, US Coast Guard, Idaho Sheriffs Association (ISA), Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Academy, Judge Randall Robinson, Clearwater County, and the Idaho Boat Company were represented at this meeting.

Topics: Training agenda for 2007  
Proposed statute changes presented to ISA  
NASBLA/USCG Reporting update  
Dworshak Reservoir, Carbon Monoxide Fatalities Presentation

Idaho Boat Company, Patrol Boats  
Marine Officer of The Year Award  
Law Enforcement Boating Database Training  
Motorboat Muffler Enforcement Training  
Regional Boating Safety Education Updates  
Legal Update/ Open Forum

- Successfully completed “BEST training in Pocatello. Certified “Boat Idaho” instructor status achieved.
- Attended and successfully completed the IDPR sponsored “Closed Range Exercise” motorcycle safety class in Elmore County.
- Compiling year-end Marine Law Enforcement reports by county. Statistical reports for annual summary and overview to USCG/IDPR.
- Ongoing partnerships with sheriffs departments to resolve boating related issues and concerns as they arise.
- Currently working with the USCG Boating Accident Reporting Database (BARD) system to facilitate the transition when Jenny Henthorn retires.
- Attended several county waterways meeting in Ada and Valley County.
- Assigned to be a member of the recently developed “Training and Certification Committee” sponsored by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA). Charge assignments pending.

### **BOATING EDUCATION COORDINATOR – KIM JACKSON**

- Hired on October 23 as the Boat Education Safety Coordinator.
- Attended the State Education Coordinator training in Lexington, KY with the NASBLA education coordinator. Also attended BEST Instructor training in Pocatello.
- Traveled with Steve and Dave to North Region for the Kootenai and Bonner county waterways meetings.
- Helped with the Marine Advisory Committee by taking the minutes for the meeting. Also took minutes for the Boating Program during the Recreation Bureau Meeting
- Accompanied Dale and Dave at a Valley County Waterways Meeting.
- With the help of Ed Lyon and Dave Crettol, old boating education files were inventoried and organized. This was in an effort to comply with the new state record guidelines.
- Developing a refurbished Boat Safety Instructor list. Working on disseminating materials to give our boat safety instructors the best educational information available.
- Will take the lead on sending boat education package for our state parks. Also working on establishing a new boater “goodie bag” that boat dealers would give out to new boat owners.
- January 27, 2007 there will be a Boat Idaho class held at IDPR Headquarters starting at 8:30 am.



### **BOATING PROGRAM, NORTH REGION – DAVE CRETOL**

- Worked on researching the liveries program history and presented this information at the MAC meeting. Currently seeking help from marine deputies all over the state to ensure all liveries comply with the education requirements spelled out in Idaho Code.
- Attended a meeting in October in preparation for the States Organization for Boating Access (SOBA) meeting that will be held in Coeur d'Alene in October 2007.
- Attended Kootenai and Bonner county waterways meetings.
- Winterized boating program equipment and inventoried educational materials.
- Conducted a Boat Idaho class in October.
- Dave gave his monthly radio talk on various boating safety issues.
- Attended the Recreation Bureau Meeting and helped with cleaning up old boating files in Boise with Kim and Ed.
- Spent time around local lakes to gauge current use.
- Met with the lead Kootenai County marine deputy.
- Substantial time was spent reviewing a grant application for Farrugut State Park.

### **BOATING PROGRAM, EAST REGION – ED LYON**

- Attended the District Coast Guard Auxiliary meeting where he was the guest speaker.
- Conducted a Boat Idaho class with 50+ students at Bear Lake High School.
- Attended the Bingham and Lemhi county waterways meetings.
- Winterized boating program equipment
- Attended East Region Meeting and the Southwest Waterways Task Force Meeting in Pocatello.
- Prepared and distributed flyers/information for "BEST" instructor class held in Blackfoot. Ed conducted the "BEST" instructor class (with assistance from Bingham County). We have 10 new boat safety instructors.
- Attended the Recreation Bureau Meeting and helped with cleaning up old boating files in Boise with Kim and Dave.
- Conducted site visits with boat dealers in Bannock, Bingham and Bonneville Counties.
- Gave a presentation on education in schools and the fatality in Fremont County at the MAC Meeting.
- Currently working on getting east region counties caught up with boating safety grant paperwork.